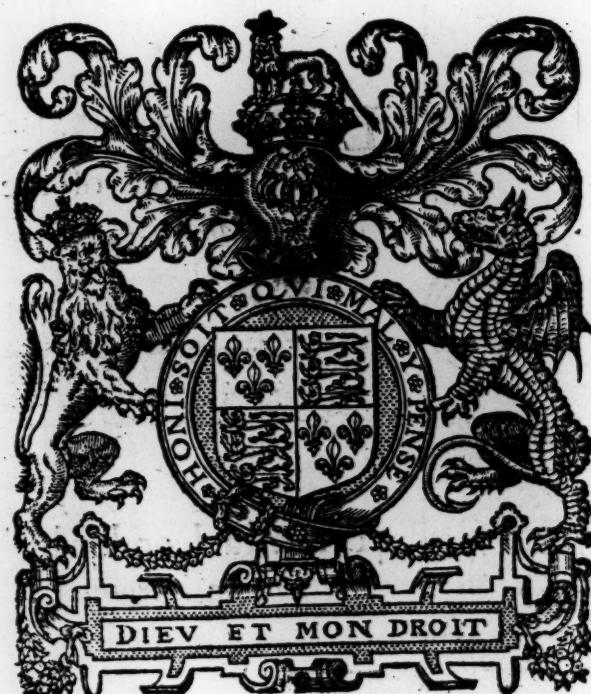


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and Statutes of the
Stannarie of
Deuon.

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THE
Charter graunted to the Tinneres of the Coun-
tie of Deuon, by King Edward the third,
and since confirmed by diuers Kings
of this Realme, as folow-
eth.



Enrie by the grace of G D, King of England, and Fraunce, Lord of Ireland: To all and singular to whom these present letters shall come, greeting. We understand by the letters patentes of the late souereigne Lord, Edward the fourth King of England, a Confirmation was made by these wordes.

Edward by the grace of God, King of England, and Fraunce, Lord of Ireland: To all, to whom these presents shall come, greeting. We understand by these letters patentes of the Souereigne Lord Edward the thirde, late King of England our Progenitor, made in these wordes.

Edward by the grace of God, King of England, and Fraunce, Lord of Ireland: To all to whom these present letters shall come, greeting. We understand by our letter late caused to be made vnder our Seale, at our returning into England, by these wordes.

Edward by the grace of God, King of England, Lord of Ireland, and Duke of Aquitaine: To all Archbischops, Bishoppes, Abbots, Priors, Earles, Barons, Justices, Shirifffes, Gouernors, and Ministers, and to all Bayliffes, and other his faithfull, greeting. We understand by a writing confirmed, which Lord Edward, late King of England our father, caused to be madeto the Tinneworkers of the Countie of Deuonshire, in these wordes.

Edward by the grace of God, King of England, and Fraunce, Lord of Ireland, and Duke of Aquitaine: To all Archbischoppes, Bishoppes, Abbots, Priors, Earles, Barons, Justices, Shirifffes, Gouernors, Ministers, and to all Bayliffes, and other his faithfull, greeting. We understand by writing, which the Lord Edward, of noble memorie, sometime King of England our Father, made to the Tinneworkers of the Countie of Deuonshire, in these wordes.

Edward by the grace of God, King of England, Lord of Ireland, & Duke of Aquitaine: To all Archbischoppes, Bishoppes, Abbots, Priors, Earles, Barons, Justices, Gouernors, Ministers, and to all Bayliffes, and other his faithfull, greeting.

The Confirmation

Si Ciatis nos ad emendationem Stanniarum nostrar. in Com. Devon. & ad tranquilitatem & utilitatem Stannatorū nostr. earundē concessisse pro nobis & hær. nostris, quod omnes Stannatores præd. operantes in Stann. illis quæ sunt dominica nostra, dum operantur in ijsdem Stannarijs sint liberi & quieti de placitis natuorum, & de omnibus placitis & querelis curiam nostram, & hærcum nostrorum qualitercunq; tangentibus. Ita quod non respondeant coram aliquibus iusticiarijs. vel Ministris nostris, seu hæredum nostrorum, de aliquo placito, seu querela infra prædictas Stannarias emergente, nisi coram custod. nostro Stanniarum nostrarum prædictarum, qui pro tempore fuit, exceptis placitis terra, & vita, & membrorum, nec recedant ab operationib. suis, per summonitionē alicuius ministerū nost. seu hær. nostrorū, nisi per summonitionem dicti Custodis nostri. Et quod quieti sint de omnibus tallagijs, theolonijs, stallagijs, auxilijs, & alijs custumis quibuscunq; in villis, portubus, ferijs, & mercatis infra Com. prædictum, de bonis suis proprijs. Concessimus etiam eisdem Stannatoribus, quod fodere possint Stannum, & turbas ad Stannum fundendum ubiq; in terris, moris, & vastis nostris, & aliorum quorumcunq; in Com. præd. & aqua, & cursus aquarium ad operationes Stann. præd. diuertere, vbi & quoties opus fuerit, & emere buscam ad funturam Stanni sicut antiquitus fieri consuevit, sine impedimento nostri vel hær. nostrorū. Episc. Abbat. Prior. Comitum, Baronum, ceu aliorum quorumcunq; & quod Custos noster præd. vel eius locum tenens teneat omnia placita inter Stannatores præd. emergentia, & etiam inter ipsos & alios forinsecos de omnib. transgres. querelis, & contractibus factis in locis, in quibus operantur infra Stannarias prædictas similiter emergentia, & quod idem Custos habeat plenam potestatem ad Stannatores prædictos, & alios forinsecos in hujusmodi placitis iusticiandi, & partib. iusticiam faciendi prout iustum, & haec tenus in Stannarijs illis fuerit visitatum. Et si qui Stannatorum prædictorum in aliquo deliquerint, per quod incarcerari debeant, per Custodem prædictum arrestentur, & in præsone nostra de Lidforde, & non alibi custodiuntur & detineantur, quoq; secundum legem & consuetudinem regni nostri deliberentur. Et si aliqui Stannatorum prædictorum super aliquo facto infra Comitatum præd. non tangente Stannarias prædictas se posuerint in inquisitionem patriæ, vna medietas Iuratorum inquisitionis huiusmodi, sit de Stannatoribus prædictis, & alia medietas de forinsecis. Et de facto totaliter tangente Stannarias prædi. fiant inquisitiones sicut haec tenus fieri consueverunt, & si quis eorundem Stannatorum fugitiuus fuerit, vel vilagatus, vel aliquid delictum fecerit, pro quo catalla sua amittere debeat, catalla illa per Custodem prædictum, & Coronatorem nostrum Comitatus prædicti appresentur, & per ipsos proximis villatis liberentur ad respondendum inde nobis, & hæredibus nostris coram iusticiarijs iijinerantibus in comitatu prædicto. Volumus insuper, & firmiter præcipimus, quod totum Stannum, tam album quam rigrum vbi-cunque invenientum & operatum fuerit, in comitatu prædicto ponderetur apud Tawstocke, Asperdon, vel Chagge forde, per pondera nostra ad hoc ordinata & signata sub forisfactura totus Stanni prædicti, & quod totum illud Stannum coignetur in eisdem villis singulis annis coram Custode prædicto ante diem sancti Michaelis in Septembre, sub forisfactura prædicta. Concessimus pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quod omnes Stannatores nostri prædicti, totum Stannum suum sic ponderatum licet vendere possint cuicunq; voluerint in villis prædictis, faciendo inde nobis & hæredibus nostris coignagium, & alias consuetudines

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suetudines debitas & vslitas, nisi nos vel hæredes nostri Stannum illud emere voluerimus. Quare volumus, & firmiter præcipimus pro nobis, & hæredibus nostris, quod Stannatores nostri prædicti habeant omnes libertates, liberas consuetudines, & quietancias supra scriptas: & quod eis sine occasione vel impedimento nostri, vel hæredum nostrorum Iusticiariorum, Escaetorum, Vicecomitum, aut aliorum Balliourum, seu Ministeriorum nostrorum quorumcunque rationabiliter gaudeant, & vtantur in forma prædicta, hijs testibus venerabilibus patribus W. Couen. & Lichfelden. S. Sarum, & I. Karlion Episcopis, Henrico de Laci Comite Lincoln. Radulpho de monte Hermerij comite Gloucestr, & Hertf. Humphredo de Bohun comite de Hereford & Esflex, Adomaro de Valencia, Hugone le Despenser, Iohan de Hastings, & alijs. Dat. per manum nostram apud Westmonasterium, decimo die Aprilis, anno regni nostri tricesimo tertio.

Nos autem concessiones prædictas, ratae & gratas habentes, easdem pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, concedimus & confirmamus, sicut Carta prædicta rationabiliter testatur, his testibus venerabilibus W. Archiepiscopo Ebor. Angliae primate, VV. VVigorn. Episcopo, Cancellario nostro, Gilberto de Clare comite Gloucestræ, & Hertfordia, Iohanne de VVarena comite Surrei, Roberto de Clifford, Pagano Tibetoti, Roberto filio pagani senescallo hospitij nostri & alijs. Dat. per manum nostram apud Ebor. quarto decimo die Augusti, anno regni nostri quarto.

Nos autem concessiones prædictas ratae & gratas habentes easdem pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, prædictis Stannatoribus concedimus & confirmamus, sicut carta nostra prædicta rationabiliter testatur. Propterea volentes eisdem Stannatoribus gratiam facere vberiorem in hac parte, concedimus eis pro nobis, & hæredibus nostris, quod ipsi dum operantur in Stannariis illis quieti sint de muragijs, stallagijs, taxationibus, & contributionibus quibuscunque de proprijs bonis suis in comitatu prædicto his testibus venerabilibus patribus. W. Archiepiscopo. Ebor. Angliae primate, I. Elien Episcopo Cancellario nostro, H. Lincoln. episcopo Thesaurario nostro, Thoma Comite Norfolcia, & Marescallo Angliae auunculo nostro, Char. Iohanne de Warenna comite Surrei, & Thoma Wake, Iohanne de Boos, Senescallo hospitij nostri, & alijs. Dat. per manum nostram apud Stanhope, sexto die Augusti, anno regni nostri primo.

Nos autem tenorem Cartæ nostræ sub sigillo quo nunc vtimur in Anglia tenore præsentium duximus exemplificandum. In cuius rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes, Teste meipso apud Langley, duodecimo die Nouembris, anno regni nostri Angliae, decimo septimo, regni vero nostri Franciæ, quarto.

Nos autem literas prædictas, ac omnia, & singula in eisdem contenta, rata, & grata habentes, easdem pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, acceptamus & approbamus, ac nunc Stannatoribus Stanniarum prædictarum & eorum successoribus, ratificamus, & confirmamus, prout literæ prædictæ rationabiliter testantur. In cuius rei testimonium, has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes, Teste meipso, apud Westmonasterium, vicesimo septimo die Nouembris, anno regni nostri, primo.

Nos autem cartas & literas prædictas, ac omnia & singula in eisdem contenta, rata, & grata habentes, easdem pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis

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nobis est, acceptamus & approbamus, ac dilectis nobis nunc Stannatoribus
Stannariarum ratificamus & confirmamus, prout Cartæ & literæ supradictæ ra-
tionabiliter testantur. In cuius rei testimonium, has literas nostras fieri fecimus
patentes, Teste meipso, apud Westmonasterium, duodecimo die Februarij,
Anno regni nostri, tertio. *Pro quas non marcis solut. in Hanapero.*

Deuon. Magna Curia domini Regis Ducatus sui Cornubiæ tenta apud
Crockerton torre in comitatu Deuon, coram Thoma Deneys armigero,
locum tenente Henrici Merney Militis Custod. Stannar. Dom. Regis in co-
mitat. Deuoniz, vicesimo quarto die mensis Septembri, anno regni Regis Hen-
rici octauij, secundo.

The names of the Iurates.

XXIIL Iurates in the Stannarie Court of Chaggeford.

John Wolcot of Chudleigh.
John Brabon.
Thomas Staplehill.
William Rife.
John Widdon.
Robert Foxford.
Robert Wanell.
William Furceland.
Robert Windeyate.
Richard Wrat.
John Nucombe.
William Noseworthy.

Inn.

Thomas Miller.
William Caselegh.
William Furse.
William Denbolde.
Alexander Weeks.
Thomas Battishill.
Thomas Tomlin.
John Ayslhe.
Richard Crote.
William Mowrie.
Galfridus Loskey.
John Smith corser.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannary Court of Asherton.

Richard Hamlin.
John Vele.
John Bonycombe.
John Maddocke.
William Miller.
John Baron.
William King of Hole.
John Eyre.
Richard Langworthy.
Thomas Mathew.
John Eexte of Brenston.
Richard Foxford.

Richard Baker.
John Widecombe.
Richard Hart.
William Widecombe.
John Cliffe.
William Edward.
John Saundar.
Thoms Gauerocke.
Michel Sperkewill.
John Baker.
Robert Tomlin.
VVWilliam Berde.

XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plimpton.

William at Hele.
William Rede.
John Beare.
Nicholas Brugge.
Robert Batin.
Nicholas Combe.
John Hede.
VVWater Adam.
VVWilliam Odymer.
John Peake at Hele.
William Tyllam.
VVWilliam Ford.

William Brufey.
John Elberton.
Roger Eggecombe.
VVWilliam Chreston.
Iurdan Brugge.
Elias Elford.
Androw Wates.
Robert Hamme.
John Scobell.
Richard Rose.
Richard Pomerie.
VVWilliam VVyet.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court
of Tawistocke.

Steuen Toker.	William Soped.
Richard Langesford.	John Hyllan.
John Chreston.	William Gyll.
John Leywood.	John Eston.
John Glubbe.	Robert Borne.
John Horewill.	Robert Heyne.
John Cholwill.	Henry Humphrey.
John Gye.	Roger Langesford.
John Peke of Way.	William Stephen.
Thomas Forde.	John Tanner.
John Draper.	Henry Haly.
Thomas Adam.	John Hart.

W^hich said Jurates being sworne, and tried by the assent and consent of all the Tinnars in the Countie aforesaid, enact, ordeyne, and constitute, that every Statute of the Tinnars aforesaid this time then made, to be voyd, broken, & of none effect, and those done anew, to be in this Court affirmed, as hereafter followeth.



Ist, be it affirmed and enacted at this present Court, that all maner of pleas be pledeable in the Tinne court, and all maner of matters, before the Warden, or his Deputie, or Steward for the time being, except thare that is to say, pleas concerning land, life, and mayme, as it is expressed in our Charter.

And also be it enacted, that no deliueraunce nor withhername be deliuered by the Warden, Under-warden, or Steward, to any person or persons for any Tinne, nor for any matter touching Tinne or Tinne-works.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that it shall be lawfull for every man to digge Tinne in every place within the Countie of Deuonshire, whereas Tinne may be found, and also to carrie water to their workes, without any let or trouble of any person or persons, according to the old usage and confirmation of our Charter, and according to our custome out of time, that no man, is, or hath bene used. And if any person or persons, lette, trouble, or vex any man, to digge Tinne, or to carrie water for the same, contrarie to our custome and usage, if it be found by verdict of vii. men at the Lawe day: he that

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that so letteth, bereth, or troubleth any such person or persons, shall fall in the penaltie of xviij. pound, as oft as he so letteth, bereth, or troubleth, the one halfe thereof to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that was so letted, bered, or troubled, and a *Fieri facias* to be warded, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that all Tinne, gathered, washed, and made cleane within the iurisdiction of the said Statuarie, be fyned and made white Tinne, before the feast of Michaelmas, and so brought to the coynage, and there coyned before the same feast, vpon payne of solesyghte of the same Tinne to my Lord Prince, and every person that so coyneth white Tinne, shall pay for the coynage of every C. of Tinne so coyned xviij. d. ob. q. and also yearly at Michaelmas viij. pence called white rent.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no nation from henceforth shall be sued nor taken against any Spaliar, for working in any Tinne-wooke, but against him or them that claymeth the fre holde.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons being Tinners, voluntarily appear before any man (except it be before the Warden or his Deputie, for any matter determinable before the sayd Warden) if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at the Law day, that then he to make fyne with the Warden or his Deputie after his or their discretion. And if it be found by verdicte of xii. men, at the suite of the partie, then shall he lose ten pounde, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that will sue it, and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, as wel for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that from henceforth no Tinner sue none other Tinner, for any Tinne or Tinne-wookes, but only in the Tinne Court. And also that no Tinner sue none other Tinner for any other cause (except plea concerning land, life, and maine) but in the Tinne Court, the Court of Lidsford, or else in the Court of whom he holdeth, after the custome and maner, vpon paine of a reasonable fine to be ceased by the Warden or his Deputy, if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at the Lawe Court. And if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at the suite of him that was so sued, he shall fall in the penaltie of ten pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that was so sued, and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, as wel for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no Tinner nor Spaliar fetch any warrant, nor *Superfodess* of peace against any Tinner or Spaliar, but only with the Warden or his Deputie. And if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at a Law day, he shall make fyne with the Warden or his Deputie, and if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at the suite of the partie, he shall lose C. 6. the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that was so grieved, and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, enter into any Tinne-wooke with force, or to take away any Tinne out of any Tinne-wooke, if it be found by verdicte of xii. men at a Law day for my Lord Prince, he shall be committed to Lidsford, and there to remaine till he make fyne with the Warden, or his Deputie: and if the said entra or taking away of Tin be found by verdicte of xii. men, before the Warden, his Deputie, or his Steward, at the suit of the partie that is so diseased, or hath his Tinne so taken away,

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he that so entred, or taketh away any such Tinne, shall fall in the penaltie of xviij. pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to the partie that is so grieved, and a *sciri facias* to be awarded, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no person nor persons being Tinners, shall be returned in any Jurie for the King, or betwene party and party, in no Court of the Exchequer, but only in the Court where he dwelleth.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, give or promise any Tinne-wozke, or part of any Tinne-worke, that is in variance, or debate betwene partie and partie, to any gentleman, or other person, to haue Lordship or maintenance for the same, the said wozke, or part of the said work so givuen or promised, shal remaine to the elder Owners, & he that so giveth or promiseth, & he that so taketh, if it be found at a Law Court, by verdict of twelve men, they both shall make fine with the Warden or his Deputie, and if it be found by verdict of twelve men at the suite of the partie, in an action of maintenance, every of them shall fall into the penaltie of twentie pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that will sue, and a *sciri facias*, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed & enacted, that no person or persons, make any Sinder Tinne after it is watered, be it alayde with other Tinne or not, or make any hard Tinne without it be marked with this letter H. upon paine of forfeiture of the same Tin, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that so findeth it.

Also be it enacted, that the owners of every blowing house, shal enter their house, & marks of their house, at the law court next after such a house is made, in the Stewards booke, and also every man that bloweth and coyneth white Tinne, shal enter his hot marks in the Stewards booke, before he coyne his Tinne, upon paine of forfeiture of the same Tinne that is so coyned.

Also be it enacted, that no Tinner be retained with any person or persons, by signe, badge, token, livery, promise, or otherwise: but such as be maner servants, and other, as the Law doth permit, but onely with my Lord Prince, the Warden, or his Deputie, or with such as my sayd Lord Prince shall assigne, upon paine of forfeiture to every man so: every moneth so retained, p. a. if it be found by verdict of twelve men, or otherwise by due examination, or by sufficient proues had before the sayde Warden, or his Deputie.

Also be it enacted, that if any Marchant, or other person buy any Tinne, and afterward the said Tinne be found not merchantable, that then if he that bought the said Tinne come to the Court, and bring the said Tinne, or part thereof, and the Owners marke, and the house marke not melted, nor broken, that then the sayd Tinne shall be melted openly in the Court: And if there be any Sinder Tinne therein, or not merchantable, that then the Owner of the said Tin, and he that biew the said Tin, by the oversight of the Warden, his Deputie, or Steward, shal recompense the said Marchant for his costs & charges, and also to forfaite the same Tin to my Lord Prince, & to make fine with the Warden or his Deputie for the same. And if the saide Tin be found good & merchantable, before the said Warden, or his Deputie, the said Marchant shall

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fall in the penaltie of a C. s. halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that is so grieved, and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, *ut supra*.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that whereas divers Owners be in one worke partners, and if any of them will defraude his partners, and so suffereth the saide worke to be a lay, and by covenant betweene a stranger and him, suffereth the said stranger to pitch the sayd worke, or els is awarne of the said pitch of the saide worke, and doth not his partner or partners to ware of the saide pitch, and so defraudeth his partners, that then he that so defraudeth his partner, shall lese his part of the saide worke to his fellowes, and he that so pitcheth, and he that so defraudeth, every of them shall fall in the penaltie of x. l. the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to them that were so defrauded, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at the suite of the partie, that was so defrauded; and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that if any Spawlers that have the keeping of any mans worke, and suffer the saide worke to be a lay, by covenant between him and a stranger, and causeth the said stranger to pitch the said work, and so defraudeth him, and his partners that take him the worke to keepe, that then he that so pitcheth, shal lese his pitch, and he that so defrauded, and he that so pitched, every one of them shall lese ten pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to the partie, if it be found by verdict of twelve men, at the suite of the partie; and a *Fieri facias* to be awarded, as well for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that a Nichil shal be returned as it hath been bled, and the Baillife be duely examined in the Court, that the defendant may not be attache, and that the said defendant hath no gods, no cattell, wherby he may be attache.

Also be it enacted and ordayne, that all bargaines and sales, hereafter to be made by any person or persons, being within the age of xvi. yeeres, to any person or persons, to be boyde, and of none effect.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that if any man or woman die sealed of any Linworikes, their heire or heires being within the age of xvi. yeares, that then he or she that is next of kinne, to whom the right of the sayd worke shall not descend, or such as his father or mother putteth in trust, shal have the rule of the sayd Linworikes, and to peele account to the said heire or heires, when he or they come to the age of xvi. yeeres, and to haue reasonable for his costes and charges.

Also be it enacted and ordayne, that from henceforth, all maner of bargaines, and sale made of all Linworikes, whereof any man is sealed, as in the right of his wife, continue no longer, but during the couerture, and after the sayd couerture determined, as such bargaines and sales to be utterly boide, and of none effect; and that it shal be lawfull to estery such wife or their heires, to enter into the sayd worke, so holden by their said husbands, without dan- ger of the penaltie of any statute, and without any suite or claime further therefore to be made.

And be it also enacted and ordayne, that from henceforth, no pitch, no warning, made by any person or persons, to any person or persons, being within the age of xvi. yeers, of any Linworike or Linworikes, be in any wise to them p^{re}iudi-

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preindiciall, but vitterly to be vioide, and of none effect, except it be given in open Court, to his Gardian in the behalfe of the said infant, and therupon the said Gardian, to make defence lawful without couin, fraud, or colour, so that the possession of the sayd Infant be not lost, nor recovered in the default of the sayd Gardian vpon paine of forfature of x. li. if it be found against the Gardian, by verdict of xii. men, at the suite of the partie, and thereupon all such recoveries to be doyde, and of none effect.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that if any person or persons, being Tinners, or Soplyars, refuse to pay, or hereafter refuse to pay, any part of such summe or summes of mony, as is, or hereafter shall be auelled, vpon any of them, by the ordinance and assent of iii. substantiall Customers of every of the iii. Countys, chosen and appointed by the Warden, or his deputy, for the asseling of the same, for the confirmation of our Charter, and for such other charges and busynesse as hath bene done, or hereafter shall be done, for the wealth of the Stannary, shall fall in the penalty of a C. s. if it bee found by verdict of xii. men at the lawe day, or otherwise by sufficiente prooues has before the Warden or his Deputie: the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe, to them that shall be so assigned by the said Warden, or his Deputie, for the leuyng of the sayd mony so asseld, to the use of the whole body of the Stannary, and a Fieri facias to be awarded.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that no person or persons make any wash, but he warne his partners, that haue boorne the charge with him of the working of the Tinne, and none other, vpon paine of forfature of x. li. the one halfe, to my Lord Prince, and the other half, to his partners that haue boorne the charge with him, if it be found by verdict of xii. men, at the suite of the partie grieved: and a Fieri facias to be awarded, as well for the Lord Prince, as for the partie.

Also be it enacted and ordained, that if any person or persons being seised of any Tinne-worke, or part of any worke now at this court holden at Crokerentore, and so seised, hereafter peaceably continue ii. Michaelmas washes, without claime made in open Court to the same and entred into a booke that shall hereafter remaine in the said Court of record, whereas the said Tinne-worke lieth in, he, or they, that so haue continued peaceably any such worke or workes, shall haue the said worke, or part of the worke, to him, and to their heires in se, according to the custome of the Stannary. Provided alway, that this act extend not, nor be prejudicall to any woman, couert, or Infant, within the age of xvi. yeare, men out of the Realme, and men being in prison, haing no space, nor liberty, to make his claime, nor to the heires of any lunaticke man.

Also be it enacted, that if any Action of Trespaſſe be brought by any Tinner, for any trespaſſe done in his ground: And if the defendant come into the court, and say, that the place where the trespaſſe is supposed to be done, is his Freehold, or else the Freehold of an other person, and prayeth to be dismissed: Forasmuch as it is concerning land, that then the Steward shal give him day at the next Court, to bring his wyrting, or the wyrting of him, whose he supposeth the sayd Freehold to be, or credible wittnes, that he, or the persons in whome he supposeth the Freehold to be, were seised of the said Freehold at the tyme of the trespaſſe against him supposed. Wherby the Freehold may appear.

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pear in him or them, that then he to be dismissed, by the discretion of the Steward: And if not, he to make answer to the trespass at his perill.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, as it hath bene vised in times past, that this maner of giffes of Tinne-worke to be god, that is to say, by Testamente, letter of Attourney, and hand livery.

Also be it ordyned, whereas a man hath divers Tinne-worke, and will depart from them by hand livery, or otherwise, by letter of Attourney, it requireth livery to passe in every w^eke.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, that if any person or persons, sell, and deliver any white Tinne, ere it be coyned, whereby my Lord Prince shal lese his coynage, he shall forfeit the said Tinne to my Lord Prince, and to make fine for his vntreue demeanour.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, that if any man coyne any other mans Tinne in his owne name, the same Tinne shall be forfeit to my Lord Prince, and he that so coined it, to make fine for his vntreue demeanour.

Also be it enacted, that whereas divers parteners be in one worke, it shall be lawfull for every of them, to worke in his worke his owne part without any let or daunger to his fellowes, and that his fellowes, to take no Tinne at walsh: but forasmuch as they haue wrought, or as they haue layd Spale for, or agrē with his parteners that haue boorne the charge, and that walshes be made in due time, as they haue bene vised in times past.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, that if any Tinner be wronged, that then he to complaine to the Steward at the Court, and if they will not doe him Justice, but be partiall, then he to complaine to the Underwarden, and if he will do him no Justice, that then he to complaine to the chiefe Warden, and if he do no Justice, that then he to complaine to my Lord Princes counsaile at his liberty: and if any Tinner do contrary to this Act, he shal fall in the penaltie of twentie pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe, to him that he complaineth vpon, if it be found by verdit of twelue men, at a law day.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, that if any Shiriffe, Schetour, Bayly arant, or any other person, arrest, trouble, or vere any Tinner going to his worke, being in his worke, or comming from his worke, as it is expressed in our Charter, except it be by the commandement of the Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, that then he shall fall in the penaltie of xx. pound, halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that was so grieved, and a fierifaciat to be awarded, if it be found by verdit of twelue men.

Also be it enacted and ordyned, that whereas in times past, all Timmers haue boorne custome-free of all maner of Collage, Toll, Stallage, Ayde, and al maner of customs, in Towns, Ports, Faires, and Markets, of their own proper go^{ts}, as it is expressed in our saide Charter: that if any Customer, Controller, Mairo, Baylis, Water-bailis, Steward of franchises, or any other person, take any money of any Tinner for any of the Articles aboue rehearsed, except it be the Kings custome, if it be found by verdit of xii. men at the Lawe day, he shall make fine with the Warden, or his Deputy, and if it be found by verdit of xii. men at the suite of the partie, he shall lese tenne pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to him that was so grieved, and a Fierifaciat to be awarded, as wel for my Lord Prince, as for the partie.

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Also be it enacted, that no man being a Tinner, at the suite of any man, shall appeare, or passe in any assises, or *Nisi priu*, against any Tinner or Tanners, for working or digging for Tinne in any mans free-hold, according to the custome of the Stannarie, upon paine of forfeiture of twentie pound, the one halfe to my Lord Prince, and the other halfe to the profite, use, and behoife of the Stannarie, if it bee found by verdict of twelue men at the Lawe day.

Also be it enacted, that it shall be lawfull from hencesorth, to every learned man, to pleade in every of the fourre Tinne Courts, so that they pleade there in English, and he that doth the contrary, his plea to be void, and no more to be admitted to pleade in any of the sayd Courts.

Also be it ordained, that a *Scire facias* shal be awarded upon every Statute, where the partie is put to his action.

Deuon. The great Court of our soueraigne Lord the King, in his Dutchie of Coznewall, holden at Crockerentorre in the Countie aforesayde, before Philip Champernon Knight, in the steade of Henry Marques of Cester, Warden of the Tanners, under our soueraigne Lord the King, in the aforesaid county of Deuon, the xxviii. day of October, in the xxiii. yeare of the raigne of king Henry the eight.

The names of the Iurates.

XXIIII. Iurates in the Stannarie Court of Chaggefond.

John Southcote.
VVilliam Burgin.
John Atyhill.
Richard VVanell.
Philip Furse.
John Newcombe.
VVilliam Noseworthy.
John Shere of Bonyhill.
Godfrey Loskey.
VVilliam Knapman.
VVilliam Hore.
John Indecote.

John Gray.
John Roo of Peridon.
Thomas Elberde.
John Maior.
John Bowdon of Doccombe.
Thomas Hereys.
John French.
Henry Erose.
John Yolden of Middlecote.
William Benet.
VVilliam Cominge.
John Langworthy.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannary Court of Ashberton.

John Vele.
VVilliam Smith.
Robert Hamlin.
John Ferres.
VVilliam Miller.
John Horsehame.
John Langworthie of Buckeland.
Thomas Phillip.
Richard Coyfhe.
Richard King.
VValter Rew.
Nicholas Brende.

John Pethybrigge.
John Widcombe.
William Baron.
William Elis.
Thomas Prideaux.
John Voyse.
Richard Tayler.
John Foxford.
John Maddocke of Hush.
Thomas Lamlin.
Elias Hert.
William Snowdon.

XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plimpton.

Richard Chalons.
John Mason.
Richard Wylyng.
John Fote.
Thomas Berman.
William Brende.
Nicholas Letelton.
Nicholas Thorning.
Baldwine Hele.
John Hutchin.
VVilliam Clarke.
Henry Caunterell.

Richard Browne de Meuy.
Nicholas Compe.
Thomas Brownisdon.
Richard Abbot of Cadley.
John Pomery of Mewy.
John Baron of Heath.
Richard Fosterd of Cornewood.
VVilliam Chappel of Chappellegh.
John Hed.
Thomas Ford of Brixton.
Thomas Am.
Richard Brownisdon,

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stammarie Court
of Tawistocke.

Thomas Cole Armiger.
Robert Cruys.
Henry Langesford.
John Hert.
John Beownisdon.
Nicholas Lugger.
John Eston.
John Burnesford.
John Chubbe of Hill.
John Atwyll.
John Horwill of Lidford.
John Scotworthy.

Thomas Toudon.
Henry Creysh.
John Cole.
Phillip Fote.
John Stephin of Gnatham.
Walter Burgh.
William Prior of Maritauy.
John Gee of Horrebrigge.
Richard Drake.
Walter Knighton.
John Hoper of Witchurch.
Stephen Toker.

W^Hich said Jurats, as is aforesaid, elect, sworne, and tried with the assent, & cōsent, of al the Tinners in the foresaid County of Devoun: do enact, affirm, ordain, & by this present establish, that aswel all Statutes now new made, as all other Statutes before this time there made and affirmed, (other then such Statutes as now in this Court, and in other Courts heretofore holden there, are made frustrate and voyde) do, and shal henceforth, wholy remain, in ful strength and effect, as hereafter more plainly appeareth.



It is be it affirmed and enacted, from henceforth, by authoritie of this present court, that all Tinners keep their Tin-workes, as hereafter followeth, that is to say, yērlyc betweene the feast of Saint Peter Aduincula, & the feast of saint Michael the Archangel, now next following, to renew or cause their headweres, Sidebonds, waterlets, and taile of every Tin-work, that now is, or herafter shalbe: and if there be any Tin-worke, or Tin-workes, that hereafter be not kept according to this Act, as is afore rehersed, it shalbe law.

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lawfull to every man, to pitch them as workes alay, so that the pitcher which shal forstune to pitch any such Tinworke or Tinworkes, for default of running of them, as is abovesayd, pitch the Tinworke, or Tinworkes before the feast of All Saincts next following, after the sayd feast of Sainct Michael, and also give warning to the Owner or Owners, of the pitch of the said Tinworke or Tinworkes, before the sayd feast of All Saincts, in the presence of four or five Tinners, and at the time of the sayd warning, the sayd pitcher shal take þ said Owner or Owners that he so warneth of the said pitch of his sayd Tinworke or Tinworkes, by the arme, shewing to him with a lowde boyce, that he may heare him, the cause of his pitch, and the day when he hath pitched the said Tinworke or Tinworkes: and also the sayd pitcher, at the next Tinn Court, holden where such Tinworke lieth in, next after the sayd warning given to the sayd Owner, or Owners, at the beginning of the sayd Court, shall cause the Steward of the same Court, or his Deputie, for the time being, to enter into his booke that shal remaine in the court at al times of record, the name of his pitch, that is to wot, his owne name, & all his fellows names, named to be pitchers of the sayd Tinworke, the Tinworkes name, the Owner or Owners names that he so warneth, & the day and place, when he gane them such warning, and thereupon the sayd Steward, or his Deputie for the time being, in the same Court, and in the other Stannarie Courts next following, wherein the sayd Tinworke lyeth not (when the Steward or his deputie shall thynke most people to be there present,) shall make Proclamation of the sayd pitch, and warning of the sayde olde Owner, or Owners of the said Tinworke, or Tinworke, or the sayd pitch to be boide, and of none effect, taking of the sayd pitcher for his labour eight pence, and then after the last Proclamation of the sayd four Courts, the sayd Owner, or Owners of the sayd Tinworke, or Tinworke, shal haue libertie, by the space of three moneths, to proue his or their sayd Tinworke, or Tinworkes, to be truly kept according to this Act, at the sayd Tinworke head, that the sayd Owner, or Owners, or one of the partners within the sayd three moneths, set one lawfull day to the sayd pitcher, when the sayd owner, or owners, or their keeper will proue his or their sayd Tinworke, or Tinworke, and at that day so appointed by the sayd Owner, or Owners, the sayd pitcher shal give attendance at the sayd Tinworke, from the sunne rising till the going downe of the sunne, to heare when the sayd Owner, or Owners, or their keeper shal proue to haue kept the same, according to this Act: and if the sayd Owner or Owners of the sayd Tinworke or Tinworke, or their keeper doe not proue his or their sayd Tinworke kept according to this Act within the said three moneths, and at the day by him or them to the pitcher so appointed (if the sayd pitcher be there ready to heare their proue) as is abovesayd, that then the sayd pitcher to haue the sayd Tinworke to him and to his heires for ever, according to the custome of the Stannarie.

And it is further enacted and ordayned, that if the sayd pitcher, at the sayd day appointed by the sayd Owner or Owners, to proue the sayd Tinworke or Tinworke, do warne or let the sayd Owner or Owners, or their keeper to proue their sayd Tinworke or Tinworke, or absent himselfe, and will not heare their proue, as is aboue specified, that then the sayd Owner or Owners, shall come to the next Tinn Court holden, where their Tinworke so pit-

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ched lieth, and enter their summe of the letting of their p̄oofe, against the said pitcher, wherenpon a *Scire facias* shall be awarded against the said pitcher, to appeare at the next Court, and at the next Court, or at such Court when the *Scire facias* shall be returned, sued by the Baylise of the same Court, or by any other person, by the Steward authorized for the same: that if the layd pitcher, nor no person for him, do not appear, that then the said Owner, or Owners, or their keper, at the court shall be admitted to p̄oune their saide *Tinworke*, or *Tinworke*s in the court, and the said pitcher, shal lose his pitch, and forfaine xxli. the one halfe thereof to our soueraigne Lord the king, haing no p̄ince, and when God shall send vs a *P̄ince*, to the Lord *P̄ince*, & the other halfe to the sayd Owner or Owners, and p̄ocesse for the leuyng thereof to be awarded, as it hath bene vsed vpon other penalties: and if the sayd pitcher do appear vpon the s̄ing of the said *Scire facias*, then the said pitcher shall have a day ouer, to make answer to the said Owner or Owners, to their bill of summe, til the next Court, if he will pray the same, and at which Court, if the said pitcher can say nothing, but he pitched the saide *Tinworke* of the saide Owner or Owners, & gaue them, or any of them warning according, which matter will appear of record in the Stewards booke, as is afore specified, wherupon the said Owner or Owners set him a day of p̄oofe, as is afore specified, that then, if the saide Owner or Owners bring into the Court, or the next Court following iiiij. or v. *Tinners*, p̄ouning sufficiently, that the said Owner or Owners, or their keper, were at the day by them assigned, to the said pitcher, at the *Tinworke*s head, ready to p̄oune their saide *Tinworke* lawfully kept, according to this statute, and that the layd pitcher warned him, or them, or absent himselfe from the sayd Owner, or Owners, or their keper could p̄oune their saide *Tinworke* or *Tinworke*s, then the saide Owner or Owners, or the keper, shal be admitted to p̄oune their saide *Tinworke* or *Tinworke*s, in the same Court, by the Steward, or his Deputie, for the time being, without delay, and there to recover their wozke: and the saide pitcher shall fall in the penaltie of xx. li. the halfe thereof, to our soueraigne Lord the king, haing no *P̄ince*, and when God shall sende vs a *P̄ince*, then to the Lord *P̄ince*, and the other halfe to the said Owner or Owners, and p̄ocesse for the leuyng thereof to be awarded as it hath bene vsed vpon other penalties.

Provided, that if the said pitcher doe lawfully p̄oune by iiiij. or v. *Tinners*, before the Steward, or his Deputie, at the said Court, that he shal haue day ouer to emparoil, that at the day of p̄oofe, appointed by the same Owner or Owners, that he gaue attendance at the headwere of the layd *Tinworke*s that he pitched, supposing to be the headwere of the same *Tinworke* that he pitched, and the layd Owner or Owners, or their keper come to an other headwere, which pertaineth to the same *Tinworke* that the said pitcher pitched, and gaue warning of that, that then the olde Owner or Owners, or their keper, shal p̄oune their laid *Tinne-worke* or *Tinne-worke*s in the *Tin-court*, or at the next Court there holden: and thereby the saide pitcher to lose no penaltie but only his pitch, and the said Owner or Owners, to recover but only the *Tinne-worke* or *Tinne-worke*s.

Provided also, that after such pitching, and warning given of any *Tinne-worke* or *Tinne-worke*s, by any person or persons, that if the said pitcher be not

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not knowne by the partie that warmed of a pitch, or els he auoyd the country, so that the said owner or owners of the said Tinne-wo:ke or Tinne-wo:kes cannot come by him, to set him a day of p:rose of his sayd Tinne-wo:ke or Tinne-wo:kes, by him so pitched, that then the said owner or owners, shal enter, or cause to be entered in the sayd Tinne-court, within the sayd thre moneths next after the last proclamation of the sayde Courtes, that wil p:roue their sayd Tinne-wo:ke or Tinne-wo:kes at a certaine day, by the Owner or Owners, to be limited within the sayd thre moneths, that they, or their keeper, at their sayd wo:ks head, and therewpon, at the same Court, and at the thre other Stannarie courtes, whereas the sayd Tinne-wo:ke lieth not, then next following, the Seward, shal cause the Bayliffe, to make open proclamation of the day, that the sayd Owner or Owners will p:roue their sayd Tinne-wo:ke or Tinne-wo:kes at their Tinne-wo:kes head, at which day, if the sayd pitchet come not at their sayd Tinne-wo:kes head, to haue their p:rose, as is aboue said, he shall lose his pitchet, and the sayd Owner or Owners shal recover their sayd Tinne-wo:ke or Tinne-wo:kes, and the sayd pitchet to fall in the penaltie of r. r. the one halfe thereof as is aboue specified &c. and the same proclamations to be made, the said owner or owners, shall give the Seward viii. pence.

And also be it affirmed and enacted, that the Act made at Crockerentorre aforesaid, the xiiii. day of September, in the second yeare of the raigne of our soueraine Lord, King Henry the eight, of, and for, the keeping of al Tinne-wo:kes within the said Stannarie, and euerie thing contained in the same Act, be from henceforth utterly boyde, and of none effect.

Also, that where out of time it hath bene vse within all the Stannarie of Devonthire, that every person, working in any streame-wo:kes, shoud kepe their grauell, robell, and land, vnder the swerd of grasse, and by force of the water to conuey to the great riuere, because it shoud hurt no mans pasture, nor quirt any Tin-wo:ke. And now it is supposed, by certaine inhabitants of the hauen townes of Dertmouth, and Plymouthe, within the said County, that the saide robell, grauell, and landes, descend (by reason of great floods) to the said hauen townes, whereby, in continuance, it shoud greatly hurt, and quirt the said hauen, which God forbid.

Wherfore be it enacted and ordained, by authoritie of this present Court, that every person, or persons, that hereafter shall wo:ke in any streame-wo:ke, or cause any streame-wo:ke to be wrought, that they, and every of them, conuay and carry, or cause to be conuayed and carryed, the grauell, robell, and landes, into old hatches, tie-pits, miry places, or other conuenient places, from the sayd great riuers, so that the sayd grauell, robell and landes, be not conuayed to the sayd hauen of Dertmouth, and Plymouthe, or any of them hereafter shal be decayed, or hurte, vpon paine of such fine and fines, as hereafter halbe, by the Lord Warden, or his Deputie, seased, or set vpon every person, or persons, for every default so offending, contrarie to the p:rovition of this Statute, to the use of our soueraine Lord the King, &c. if any such default be found, by verdict of xiij. men, at the law day, at any of the sayd iiiij. Stannarie courtes.

Proouided alway, that no person, or persons, conuay, or bring their grauell, robell, or landes, into any hatches, tyes, or waterlets of any Tinne-wo:ke,

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while the said Tinne-wo^{ke} is in working, and if any person or persons dor, the partie grieved, shal haue like remedis by action, as it hath been heretofore eneacted for the same offences, this act notwithstanding.

Also be it enacted and assynd, that every person or persons, that hereafter shall w^{ke} in any hatch-wo^{ke}s, nigh the R^{iver} of D^{er}ry, Tamer, or any other great river, that descendeth to the said haunes of Dertmouth and Plym^{outh}, or any of them, shall turne, or cause to be turned, their lake waters into their hatches, that they haue wrought, and thereon conuey their grancill, robell, and landes from the great river, so that it be not conueyed to the said haunes, or any of them, wherby the said haunes, or any of them hereafter, shall be decayed, or hurt, vpon like paine as is next afore specified.

Also, that where at the great court holden at Crockerentorre the xxiiii. day of September, the second yere of the raigne of our saide soueraigne Lord King Henry the viii. it was enacted and ordained, that if any person or persons, being warned of the pitch of any Tin-wo^{ke} or Tin-works, and did not quene their said Tinne-wo^{ke} or Tinne-wo^{ke}s, within thre moneths next following, and after that if the said Owner or Owners, did sue, vexe, or trouble the said pitchers, after the said thre moneths, or enter into the said Tinne-wo^{ke}, should fal in the penaltie of xx. pounds, if it were found by verdict of twelve men, at the suite of the partie: by force of which statute, many and divers subtil persons, haue craftily pitched divers Tin-works, and haue giuen craftie warnings of their pitch to the Owners of the said Tinne-wo^{ke}s, which warning, the said Owners haue not perceined, nor heard, and sometime the said Owner or Owners, haue continued daily working in the said Tinne-wo^{ke}s, at the time of the said warning, and so, till after the said thre moneths expired, and sometimes the said pitchers, after they haue giuen such warning, of the pitch of their said Tin-wo^{ke}, to the said Owner or Owners, haue absented themselves, so that the said owner or owners, could not met with the to set a day, to proue their said tin-works, within the said 3 moneths, according to an other statute therof made & provided, so that after the said 3 moneths were expired, the said Owner or Owners had no meane to sue the said pitchers for their lawful remedie, but they should fal in the penaltie aboue specified, whereby the said Owners haue losse many of their Tinne-wo^{ke}s, and also forfaitred the said penalties in the same Statute aboue specified, to their vller undoing.

Wherefore be it enacted and ordained, by vertue of this great Court, that the sayd Act, made in the second yere of our Soueraigne Lord the King, and every thing in the same Act contained, be from henceforth vterly void, and of none effect.

Also bee it assynd and enacted, that from henceforth, no Bawlies of the Stannarie shall take of any person or persons, that hereafter shall be arrested upon any Nichil, or for surety of peace aboue six pence, & that the keeper of Lidsforde, nor his Deputie, shal take of any person or persons, that hereafter shall be arrested upon a Nichil, or for suretie of peace, any fees, unlesse the parties so arrested, be brought to the prison of Lidsforde, and that the keeper shall take of euery such prisoner for his fees but ii.s. vi.d. and for his meate and drinke, according to the old custome heretofore used, vpon paine of ii.s. ii.d. every tyme that the sayd keeper or Bawlie doth contrary to this Statute, if it be found

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at a law day, in any of the said fourt Stannarie courts, the one halfe to our soueraigne Lord the King, and the other halfe to the party grieved.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no Baillife, nor Bailliffs, bring no person nor persons, to the prison of Lidsford, that hereafter shalbe arrested by a Nichil, except it be vpon an execution of a condementation, if the person or persons that so shal be arrested, shal be brought to the said Baillife or Bailliffs, god and sufficient suerties to answere, the partie plaintif at the next Court after the said arrest, vpon paine of twentie shillings for every time so offending, the one halfe thereof to our soueraigne Lord the King, and the other halfe, to the party grieved, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at a Law day, in any of the fourt Stannarie Courts.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that the Steward, or his Deputie for the time being, shall take for the crowning of any person, not aboue two shillings, and the Baillife for his returne of the Jurie for the same, not aboue vi. d. vpon paine of euerie such default, twentie shillings, the one halfe, &c.

Also be it affirmed & enacted, that no person nor persons, from henceforth be admitted to any esloine, vpon any issue, to be tried after xii. men haue apere: and that it shalbe lawfull to the partie Plaintif, or Plaintifs, vpon every issue to be tried after the Jurie returned, one time to be esloyned, according to our old custome, and in likewise the Defendant or Defendants, so the said esloyne be laid before the twelve men haue appeared, &c.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that every Tinner or Tinnery within the said Stannarie, shal make, or cause to be made, before the said feast of S. Michael the Archangell next comming, their headweres and tailes, like a boade hoked arrow in all drie Tinne-woakes, and halfe hokes in al Tin-woakes adioyning to any riuere, vpon paine of a reasonable fine to be assed by the Lord Warden, or his Deputie, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at a Law day in any of the said fourt Stannarie courts.

Deuon. The great Court of our Soueraigne Lord the King, in his Dutchie of Cornewall, holden at Crockerentore in the Countie aforesaid, before Phillip Champernon Knight, in the steade of Henry Marques of Exeter, Warden of the Tinneres vnder our Soueraigne Lord the King, in the forfaid County of Devon, the xv. day of September, and in the xv. yere of the raigne of King Henry the eight.

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The names of the Jurates.

**XXIII. Jurates of the Stannarie Court
of Chagford.**

John Battifill.
William Noseworthy.
John Newcombe.
William Hore.
Godfrey Loskey.
William Rugge.
John Shire.
John Endecote.
Thomas Ilbert.
John Frey of Manaton.
John Parte of Heanocke.
William Voyse.

John Frenshe.
John Langworthy of Battifill.
John Row of Beridion.
Thomas Cafelagh.
John Coyshe.
Richard Abraham.
John Wimdeate of Grendon.
Alexander Drayton.
James Benet.
Symon Tauerner.
Richard Crote.
John Glamule.

**XXIV. Jurates in the Stannarie Court
of Ashberton.**

Thomas Predeaux.
William Coward.
John Bery senior.
John Veal.
John Voyse.
Robert Hamlyn.
Richard Taylor.
John Maddocke of Blakeal.
Thomas Hamlyn.
John Dolbear.
Richard Langworthy of Lefewell.
John Horsham.

John Langworthy of Buckland.
William Smith.
John Widecomb of Buckland.
William Bonycomb.
John Stiddeston.
Thomas Wodde.
Thomas Phillip.
Richard Quoylhe.
William Leer.
John Dibell.
Henry Paty.
Robert Hanworthy.

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XXIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plumpton.

Richard Chalons.
Nicholas Thorney.
John Mason.
Thomas Forde.
John Luscomb.
Walter Stondon.
John Fote.
Richard Abbot.
William Chapel.
Walter Elford.
John Browne.
John Med of Shifstor,

John Hed.
Edmond Lang.
John Meyow.
Andrew Walker.
William Towsen.
John Stert.
Henrie Cantarell.
William Martin.
Thomas Brounsdon.
John Bacer.
Roger Bond.
William Bender,

XXIV. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Tawfosteke.

Roger Langesford.
John Cole, of Peterstauy.
Richard Darke.
John Atwill.
John Stutworthy.
Henry Crees.
Walter Borrow.
John Redcliffe.
John Williams.
John Brounsdon.
John Wattes.
John Gye of Horeburg.

Rafe Eston.
Roger Page.
Roger Gill.
John Batcoke.
Walter Langesford.
Walter Knighton.
Marten Edward.
John Hopar.
John Goding seni.
Walter Gladlilde.
William Prior.
Thomas Stondon.

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Whiche said Jurates, so (as is aforesaid) chosen, worne and tried, with the assent, and consent of all the Tinneris in the foreaid Countie of Devoum, do enact, affirme, ordeyne, and by these presents, establish, that as wel all Statutes now new made, as all other Statutes before this time there made and affirmed (other then such statutes as now be in this Court, and in other Courts heretofore holden there, are made, sustaine and vayd) do, and shall henceforth, whiche remaine in full strength and effect, as hereafter more plainly appeereth.



Here before this time, divers and many Tinneris in the said countie of Devon, haue giuen away all their Tinne workes, some of them to their children, and some of them to other persons of their knaine and friends, and some of them haue suffered recoveries to be had against them, to thynent they wold be from henceforth regyd and taken as no Tinneris, by meane whereof, they haue by that countie and craft, discharged themselves, as well of their appearance in the Stannarie courts, as also of all other contributions

and charges, which by reason of the said Tinne-worke, they ought to suppose and beare with other Tinneris, according to the old custome of the said Stannarie: and yet that notwithstanding the said giuers, and other persons against whom, such recoveries were had of the said Tinne-worke, haue all times, after such gifts and recoveries, had, and made, taken thereof, the issues and profites to their owne vse.

Wherfore be it affirmed and enacted from henceforth, by authoritie of this present Court, that as wel all such person or persons, that before this, or now, be sealed, or that hereafter shall be sealed, or, and in any Tinne-worke, or part of any Tinne-worke, beit of a stite in se simple, se tale, or for termie of life, or lynes, that haue made, or hereafter shal make, any gift or lease, of al his, or their whole Tinne-worke or Tinne-workes, to any of their said children, or to any other person or persons, to his, or their vse, or haue, or hereafter shall suffer, any such recoveries to their vse, or to thysle of their said giuers hereafter, do (of the said Tinne-worke or Tinne-workes, or of any part of them) take any issues and profites, or any other annuall rent and profit, by any such countour to his owne vse: from henceforth to be reputed and taken for Tinneris, as though no such gift, recovery, or lease had been made, and to beare their contributions and charges among other Tinneris, of the said Stannarie, according to the olde custome of the same, and if any surmisse or complaint be made

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made to the Lord Warden of the sayd Statmarie for the time being, or to his Deputy, or Steward of the same Statmarie, or knowlge he had or ministered to the officers of any such person or persons, that so doth take the issues and profits of any such Tin-worke or Tin-workers, or part thereof, or thereof hath the use, and denyeth him to be taken and reputed as a Tinner, that then the sayd Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward of the sayd Statmarie courts, shall haue authorite to awarde a precept of *Scire facias* against the party, upon whom any such surmisse, complaint, or other knowlge shall be had or made, commanding him, by the same, to appeare at the next Tinne-court, (wherein the partie then shall dwelle,) before the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, then to be holden, at which day if hee doe appeare in the one Tin-court, the truth therof to be tryed by the other, or either of the sayd person or persons, that shal be called in by the sayd *Scire facias*, whether hee or they so called, doe take the issues and profits of the same Tin-worke or Tin-workers, or any other person or persons, to his or their use, or of any part of them, or else that any other person or persons, do therof stande and be seised to his or their use, and if the said party after hee is returned, and warned, do make default, that then his or their default, in the same Court to be recorded, and after that, the same party or parties, shall be stil accepted and taken for a Tinner or Tinner, til any such person or persons, wil, of his or their owne fruill, come into the said Court, & discharge themselves, by his or their othes, in forme aforesaide, and if any person from henceforth, after any such oath made, doe againe accept and take any issue and profits of any such Tinne-worke or Tin-workers, then upon due information, prove, or knowledge, had or made to the said Officers in forme aforesaide, in any Court of the Statmarie, within the jurisdiction whereof any such Tin-workers lie, or shall be, that they, or any of them, doth, or shal take, appaynes and profits, that like processe be entred made against the saide parties, and like order and othe to be had in forme aforesaide.

Provided alwayes, that if it happen any such Tinner or Tinner, which hath or will gine away his or their said Tin-worke or Tinne-worke, and saith, or deposeth, that he or they take no profit to his or their owne use, nor that any other person or persons stand seised to his or their use, and be and wil be reputed and taken as no Tinner or Tinner, as before is mentioned, that then it shalbe lawful to al other Tinner, to sue, and be at liture against any such person or persons, that so denyeth to be a Tinner or Tinner, in forme aforesaide, in any other place out of the shire Statmarie courts, vnto such time that all such person or persons, which so denyeth to be Tinner or Tinner, in forme aforesaide, happen to be a Tinner againe, and also enter his or their name or names, into the Stewards Roles, or booke of Record, in the same Statmarie court, whereas any such person then shal happen to dwel, and at the same Tin-court, to call the Steward or his Deputy for the time being, to proclaim him or them as a Tinner or Tinner again, any such custome or Statute made, used, or provided to the contrary in any wise, notwithstanding.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no person or persons, from henceforth take away any Tinne gathered in any Tin-worke, wheresoever it be found, from the Owner or Owners, or other occupiers of the saide Tin-worke or Tinworks,

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Tinne-worikes, which have borne, or hereafter shall bear the costes and charges for the gathering and working of the same, but the said person or persons so clayming the said Tinne or Tinne-worike, may lawfully cause the said owner or owners, occupier or occupiers, to be attached by the said Tinne gathered, wherefover it be found, upon a playnt by the said claymer to be affirmed agaynt the said person or persons, that so hath gathered the said Tinne in the same Stannarie Court, wherein the said Tinne-worike or Tinne-worikes, and the same Tinne so to be gathered, lyeth or shall ly, and thereupon the said owner or owners, or other occupier or occupiers of the same Tinne-worike or Tinne-worikes, that be so attached by their said Tinne, shall find sufficient sureties to the Bayliffe or his Deputy, by whome the said attachment shall be so made, or by his Deputy, or any other, by the Steward of the same Court being limited where as the said Tinne is gathered, according to the law and custome of the sayd Stannarie, to answere the said claymer at the next Tinne court holden, next after the said attachment so had and made, within the which Court, where as the said Tinne-worike or Tinne-worikes so in bantance, lyeth, or shall ly: and after the said sureties found, the said Tinne so attached, to be delivered to the said person or persons so attached. And if any person or persons from henceso forth, with force, or otherwise, take away any Tinne so gathered, and hath borne no charges for the working thereof (as is above rehearsed) that then the said person or persons, so taking away the said Tinne, after the priece of the partie or parties so offending before the said Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, he or they so offending, shall be committed to the prison of Lylford, and there to remaine till he make fine with the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, and if the said taking away of any such Tinne be found (as is before expressed) by vertute of summen at any Lawe Court there holden after, at the suite or complaint of the partie grieved, then he that so taketh away any such Tinne, shall fall in the penaltie of xij. pound, shone halfe therof to our souereigne Lord the King, or Prince, when it shall please Our souereigne to a Prince, and the other, to the partie so grieved: and for execution thereof, a precept of a Fersfaciu to be awarded, as well for our souereigne Lord the King, or the Prince, as for the partie complainant, and grieved.

I command alwaies, that if there be from henceforth any Action commenced against any person or persons, by vertute of this present Acte and Statute, that then the Defendant or Defendants to haue one Court day ouer to imparoll, to make his or their answere. And if the said Defendant and Defendants will pitch to haue it, and there at the next Court after, to make him or them answere, at his or their perill without delay.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, be taken by his body at the suite of any partie, upon any playnt or playnts commenced in any of the sayd fourt Stannarie Courtes, and the said partie, at whose suite he or they which shall be so taken, and impiloned at Lylford, be afterward none suite in his or their sayd action or actions, that then the said partie or parties, so being none suite in his or their sayd action or actions, shall yeld and pay such costes and damages to the said person or persons so taken and impiloned, as shall be adiudged and deeme by the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward so; the time being, and a Fersfaciu to be awarded for the leving

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of the same, to the vse of the partie so to be imprisoned, vpon a precept of returne, made by the Waliife at the day of returne of the same, that the partie so being non-suited, had no gods, nor cattel, wherof he might, or shall make execution by the said *Fieri facias*, that then a precept of a *Capias* to be awarded by the court, to attach the body of the said person so being nonsuited, and the day of returne, wheres, if the same party, by the said *Capias* be brought into the Court, or other wise in proper person do appear, then he to pay the said costs & damages, or els to be committed to the prison of Lidsford, ther to remain til he or they haue paid it.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons from henceforth, take away any blache Tinne, or Tin-stones out of any Tin-worke, or any other place, by night or by day, without he or they which take away any such Tinane-stones, do the Owner or Owners, or his or their partners, or his or their workmen, (which haue borne the charges of the working of the same, being Owners of the same Tinne-worke) to knowledge thereof, which haue borne the costes and charges for the working of the same Tinne, with him or them, or their spallars of the same Tinne-worke, which hereafter shall worke and gather the same Tinne, that then he or they so offending, if it may be duly proved before the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward for the time being, by examination in open Court, or by way of action tried and condemned, or by presentment and verdict of twelve men, at the law Court of the Stannarie, wherein the said Tinne-worke lieth, that then the said offender or offenders, by the said Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, to be committed to the prison of Lidsford, vntille he or they so offending, can find sufficient sureties, to pay, or recompence the partie or parties grieved for his or their Tinne so taken away, and also to make fine with the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, for his or their untrue demeanour and offence, whereof the one halfe shall be to our soueraigne Lord the King, or Prince, and the other halfe, to the vse of the whole body of the Stannarie being Tinner.

Also be it affirmed and enacted from henceforth, that if any person or persons, do make any unlawfull labour to any enquest swoyne in any of the fourre Stannarie courtes, or doe menace or threaten them, or any of them, to passe with the one partie, or the other, or promise them any mony, or other reward, to give their verdict, that then the said person or persons, so making the laid unlawfull labour, or menacing, or threatning the said enquest, or promising them any money or reward unlawfully, for giuing of their saide verdict of twelve men at the Law day by the great enquest, or by verdict of twelve men, at the suit of the partie grieved, that then the said imbuters, or offenders so offending, shall be committed to the prison of Lidsford, ther to remaine vnto such time that he or they so offending, contrary to the provision of this Statute, haue made fine with the same with the Lord Warden, or his Deputy, or Steward, for the time being: and besides that, if it be found by verdict of twelve men, at the suite of the partie grieved, by occasion of the same imbuter, and unlawfull labour, and that processe of a *Capias* for his body, or a *Fieri facias* for his gods to be awardeed, at the election of the partie that shall be so grieved, as wel for the satisfaction of the King, or Prince, as for satisfaction of the same partie grieved.

Provided alwaies, that al such persons, as be, or hereafter shall be parties to any action, sued by them, or any of them, or against them, or any of them, in

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any of the said ~~Scot~~ tannary courts, whereupon the said parties, be or shalbe at issue, & al such other persons as then have any interest, right, or title, to the thing in demand, or variance, or their lawfull solicitors may well and lawfully labour the said Inquest, to appear, and to give their verdict, according to such evidence as shalbe given them, according to their conscience, and not otherwise.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that whereas divers persons being Owners & Partners, or hereafter shalbe owners & partners, which be now seised, or hereafter shalbe seised joynly together, of, and in any Lin-worke, or Lin-workes, and if the whole title of the same Linne-worke or Linne-workes, be, or shalbe in variance, and if any of the said Owners and Partners, from henceforth do refuse to suppose and beare such maner of charges and expences in the law, with his or their partners of the same Linne-worke so in variance, according to their portion and parts, as they and every of them haue, or hereafter shall haue in the same Linne-worke or Linne-workes, of, for, and about the suite and triall of the title of the same Linne-worke or Linne-workes so being in variance, or hereafter shall be in variance, if he or they be required thereto by his partner or partners of the same Linne-worke, that then he or they that so wil refuse to beare, and to pay his or their part or parts, according to his or their portion or portions of the same Lin-worke, indifferently charged, to receive or take any profitte of his or their part or parts of the same work (so being in variance) untill he or they haue paid him or them their saide costs and charges for the harme to him or their saide felow now being, or hereafter shall be Owner or Owners, Partner or Partners, with him or them of the same Linne-worke or Linne-workes, which is, or shalbe in variance, according to the olde custome of the ~~Scot~~ tannarie.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, being now peaceably seised of, and in any Linne-worke, or parte of any Linne-worke in the Countie of Devon, at this present great Court holden at Crockerentorke, and so continued to Michaelmas eynage, peaceably seised, without claime or title made in open Court, by any person or persons to the same, and entred in a boke or roll, that hereafter shall be appointed, and remaine in the said court of Record (within the lursipution of which court the said Lin-worke is, or lieth) he or they that so haue continued peaceably their possession in any such Linne-worke or Linne-workes, shall haue the said Linne-worke or parte of the Linne-workes, to them and to their heires in fee for ever, according to the custome of the ~~Scot~~ tannarie.

Provided alway, that this act extend not, nor be preindiciall to any woman couert, infant within the age of sixteene yeres, any person being out of the realme, or being in prison, or being lunatike, or out of his mind, so that any of the said persons, that is to say, that women couert, after the decease of their husbands, within the space of two yeres, and their heires, and the said persons so imprisoned within the space of two yeres, after they be at thair libertie of their said imprisonment, and the said persons being out of this Realme, and haing no knowledge of this Act within like space of two yeres, or lacking knowledge thereof, within the space of one yere after his or their comming into England, or any of the heires of the said person or persons, after title to him or them given by the death of his or their ancestors, within one yere then next following, if any of the said persons before excepted, die within the said time, parties,

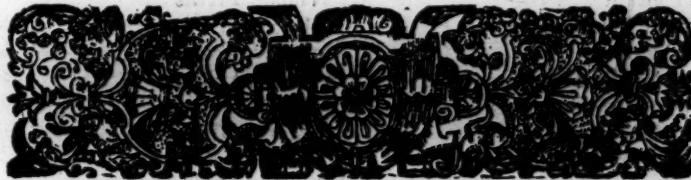
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years, and do make their claim by Action in any of the said Statnary courts, whereas any of the said Tinne-wokes lie.

Also, sozasmuch as by occasion of evidence, given by corrupt & vntreue witness to Inquests, sworne within the fourt Statnary Courts between party and party, vntreue verdicts haue beeue given, to the great hurt and preindice of many Turners: wherefore be it enacted and affirmed, that from hencesorth, if any person or persons give any false evidence, & comit periurie in his evidence given in any of the said Statnary courts, to any Inquest or Inquests, sworne between party & party, and if he or they that shall give any such false evidence, and commit periurie, be found culpable and guiltie by verdict of twelve men, at a Law Court in the same Statnary Court, whereas the same false evidence and periurie shall be committed, that then he or they that so shal offend, shall be committed to the prison of Lidsoyd, there to remaine vnto such time that he, or they, can find sufficient sureties to make fine with the L. Warden, his Deputie, or Steward for the time being, to the use of our soueraigne Lord the King, having no Prince, and when it shal please God to send vs a Prince, to the Lord Prince.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that al Statutes and Acts made at this great present Court before this time, and not aduulter, to stand in their full strength and force, and that a *Fieri facias* shall be awarded, as wel vpon every of the saide Statutes now standing in their force, as also vpon all such Statutes and Acts as now be made at this present great Court of Parliament, holden and kept at Crockertonre aforesaid.

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Euon. Magna Curia Domini Regis Ducatus
sui Cornub. tenta apud Crockerentorre in
comitatu Deuon. predicto coram Iohan. Charles
armigero, locum tenente Iohannis Comitis Bed-
ford. custod. Stannariae dicti Domini Regis in
predicto comitatu Deuon. viceximo sexto die
Martij. Anno regni Edwardi sexti. Dei gratia
Angliae, Franciae, & Hiberniae Regis, fidei de-
fensoris, ac in terra, ecclesiae Anglicanae & Hi-
bernicæ supremi capitul. Sexto.

The names of the Iurates.

XXIII. I. Iurates in the Stannarie Court of Chaggeford.

George Burgin
Richard Wauerell
William Knapman senior.
John Newcombe
John Pincent
William Knapman junior.
Harry Wyll
Robert Foxford
Augustine Noseworthy
John Wauerell alias Voyse
John Estbrooke alias Shylston
John Martin

Nicholas Cleyff
Richard Loskey
Andrew Smardon
John Periman
William Treud
John Smith
John Westcote
William Aylshe
John Balle
John Coylffe
Geffrey Christopher
Pancratius Shere.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Asherton.

William Burgin
Christofer Warrin
Thomas Hamlin
Richard Tayler
John Foxford
John Styfson
John Herscham
John Widecombe
John Debyll
John Seyger
Laurence Withecombe
William Hole.

Richard Langworthy
Thomas Bickeford
James Maddicke
Edward Hanworthy
Walter Stephen
Peter King
Thomas Pers
Richard Hamlin
William Wotton *alias* Bile
Quirinus Rowge
William Yolland
Richard Maye.

XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plimpton.

Philip Hawton
Walter Elford
John Lufcombe
John Aduent
Thomas Forde
Walter Rowe
John VVorth
Philip Ford
VVilliam Hengston
Michael Edgecombe
Hugh Crocker
VVilliam Stiddeston.

Francis Chappell
John Rosedew
Richard Brokin junior
Richard Holberton
John VVindeal
John Foster
Richard Abbot
John Baker of Torre
Henry Hanger
John Elford
Richard Brokin senior
Robert Winston.

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XXXIII. Jurats in the Stannary Court of Tawstocke.

Henry Langford.
John Furlong of Tamerton.
John Badge.
Robert Ebbisworthy.
John Peterfield.
Thomas Alwill.
Roger Gill.
Henry Willey.
Richard Lansford of Bratton.
William Gey.
John Brouerdson of Surton.
John Fote *junior.*

William Burges.
John Tucker.
Randall Eston.
John Talbot of VValkhamton.
John Hanworthy.
John Horewill of Lidford.
John Sleman.
John Row Cholewill.
John VVattes of Beare.
John Richard.
Nicholas Lugger *junior.*
John Fote Senior of Buckland;

Qui quidem Iurati sic ut præfertur electi, iurati, & triati, ex assensu & cōsensu omnium Stannatorum in prædicto comitatu Deuon, enactant, affirmant, ordinant, statuunt, & per præfentes stabiluunt, quod tam omnia statuta nunc de nouo facta, quam omnia alia statuta ante hæc tempora ibidem facta & affirmata, præter illa statuta quæ nunc in ista curia, & in alijs curijs ibidem antea tentis adiunquantur, & evacuantur, omnino imposterum permaneant in vigoribus suis & effectis, ut plenius inferius patebit.



Here much hard and enill Tinne hath
bene heretofore sundry times made
and copned within the Stannarie of
Deuon, without the letter *W.* set upon
the same, notwithstanding the statute
therof provided, not onely to the
great slander of the Stannarie, but also
to the great losse and hinderance of
Merchants and other persons that
hauē bought and occupied the same,
which is manifestly knownen to rise
and growe by craftie and subtil blowing
of Sinder Tinne, with Pyte and
Colom, without the which kind of
blowing of Sinder Tinne, no hard or
enill

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mill Tinne can be made, nor the owners thereof might haue of such Binder
but little or no fruit, or aduantage.

For redresse and reformation whereof, be it affirmed, enacted, and ordained, at this present Court, that all Tinne hereafter blowen, or to be blowen, vpon the flote after the custome course and maner of blowing of blacke Tinne, being not mixt with hard Tinne, be alway reputed and taken to all intendements for god and pure Tinne. And that all Tinne hereafter blowen or to be blowen, with a Wyte or a shott flote, after the custome course and maner of blowing of Binder Tinne, whether it be mixt with other Tinne, or not, be alway reputed and taken to all intendements for hard Tinne, and that the letter H. be set vpon the same before it be coyned, vpon paine of forfeyture of the same to the Lord Prince, and in default of a Prince to our Soueraigne Lord the King, if it be found by verdit of twelue men at a Law day. And further, if it happen hereafter any such hard Tinne to be coyned before the letter H. be set vpon the same, and so put to sale, or woorke mettall to be couered and hid within the same hard Tinne, other then the kind or nature of the same shall cast and beare in himselfe, or woorke mettall than god Tinne to be couered and hid by fallehood and deceit within any other piece of Tinne, haing not the letter H. and so coyned and put to sale: then, if vpon complaint of the buyer thereof, it be found by verdit of twelue men at a Law day, and proved by the viewe and melting of the same Tinne, or part thereof, in open Court, being brought before the great Inquest, then and there shal be for the King, with all the markes of the same vpon one pece not melted, noz brouken (within the iurisdiction of which Court the same Tinne was made) that then the first Owner or Owners of the same Tinne, shal not onely forfeit the value of the same Tinne to the Lord Prince for the time being, and for lacke of a Prince, then to our Soueraigne Lord the King, but also shall forfeit for every such false piece of Tinne v.l. the one halfe thereof to the Lord Prince, and the other halfe to such person or persons, being the buyer or buyers of the same, as shal complaine, or make suite at a Law day for the same, bee it by Bill, Information, or otherwise, and a Fieri facias to be awarded for the same, as vpon other penall Statutes. And also the Blower or Blowers of the same Tinne to be set openly vpon the pillone in a Market day, or a Lawe day, by the space of sixe hours for his or their vnforne demeanour, in attempting any thing contrary to this Act. and if the sayd Blower or Blowers doe after that againe likewise offend, contrary to this Act, that then the sayd Blower or Blowers to incurre such punishment, as shall seeme to the Lord Warden, or his Deputie most mette or conuenient. And vpon complaint made by the Merchant or buyer of any pece of Tinne, to be hard Tinne, and the same afterwards in open Court, and in the presence of the great Inquest melted, and proved god, then the sayd Merchant or buyer shall forfeite for every such pece found god, ten pound, the one moitie thereof to the Lord Prince (and so lacke of a Prince, to the Kings Maiestie) and the other moitie to him that doth sue for it, and processe thereof to be made as aforesaid. Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any merchant or other person hereafter buy any Tinne, and after that the said Tinne be found to be fally made, contrary to the said Act, and that notwithstanding, the Merchant or buyer, and the first Owner of the same, by priuie contracts, payments, or otherwise betwene

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betwene them, conceale the untrue making thereof, whereby condigne punishment cannot be done and ministred to such offenders, according to the laid Statute, if it be found by verdict of xii. men, at a Law day: that then they both shall fall every of them in the penalty of xviij. pounds, for every pece of Tinne so concealed, the one halfe thereof to our Soueraigne Lord the King (and to the Lord Prince, when God shall send vs a Prince) and the other halfe to him that will complaine or sue for the same, by Bill, Information, or otherwise.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that the Act made at Crockerentorre the xxiiij. day of September, in the second yere of the famous King, King Henry the viii. of, for, and concerning Sinder Tinne, and hard Tinne: And also, that the Act made at Crockerentorre aforesaid, the same xxiiij. of September, the yere aboue written, of, for, and concerning Tinne, not merchantable, every of the said two Acts, and all thing and things in eynny of them contained, be from henceforth utterly boyde, and of no force nor strength.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no person or persons shall sell, or put to sale, any maner of white Tin, made and cast in slabbes, blockes, or shucks before it be copned, vpon paine of forfaiture of the said Tinne, in maner and forme aforesaid, any Act heretofore made to the contrary notwithstanding: and both the seller, and the buyer, to forfaite every of them xli. s. for every slab, blocke, and shuck so bought and solde, if it be found by verdicte of vi. men at a law day: the one halfe thereof to the Lord Prince, when God shall send vs a Prince, and for lacke of a Prince, then to our Soueraigne Lord the King, in maner and forme as is aforesaid, and the other halfe to the partie that will sue, or make complaint for the same by Bill, Information, or otherwise.

Item, where it hath bene heretofore of late dayes used in every of the fourt Stannarie courts, after issue ioyned in any action or suite between partie and partie, that the plaintife shall nominate xii. of the Jurours whom he list, and the defendant other xi. to try that issue, whereby pore men bee not onely oppressed by rich, but also the officers cannot doe iustice, according to right and equitie, by reason of the sayd euill usage.

Wherefore, be it affirmed and enacted, that from henceforth, vpon every *Venire facias*, awarded after issue ioyned in any of the sayd Stannarie courts, that the Bayliffe of the Court for the time being, or the Foster of the quarter, if the Bayliffe be chalenged by his othe, then and there in open Court taken, shall immediately returne and nominate to the steward-cruitt, honest and indifferent Tinner, according to the tenour and effect of his Bill or precept taken of the plaintife, for every returne for his fee so made, xii. s. iii. pence, and no more, which xxiiij. persons so returned, the Bayliffe of the Court or Foster, that so made the retourne, shall summon and warne, to appearre at the next Tin court there to be holden, at which Court, if any of the Jurours do make default, being warned, then he to forfaite to our Soueraigne Lord the King and to the Lord Prince, when God shall send vs a Prince, xii. pence issues. And at the same Court, if a ful Jurie doe not appere, or else after appearance of a ful Jurie, by chalenge of any of the parties, the Jurie is like to remaine vntaken for default of Jurours: that then the Lord Warden, his Deputie, or steward of the Court for the time being, vpon request made by the partie plaintife,

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plaintife, or by the defendant in the default of the plaintife, shal have authority, by vertue of this Act, to command the Bayliffe or the Foster (as aforesaid) of the Stannarie Court for the time being, by his othe, then and there to be taken, to returne, name, and appoint, as often as neede shall require, so many of such other able and indifferent Cunners, then being present in the said Stannarie court, as shall make up a full Jurie, which persons so to be named and impaneled, by such Bayliffe or Foster, shall be added to the former panel, and their names annexed to the same. And the Wora Warden, his Deputy, or Steward of the Court for the time being, shall and may proceede to the triall of every such issue, with those persons that were before impaneled, and with those newly added to the said former panel, by vertue of this Act, in such wise, as they might or ought to haue done, if all the Jurors had bin impaneled uppon the *Venire facias* awarded to trie the said issue. And that every such triall had after the making of this Act, shal be as good, and effectuall to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as if such triall had bin had and tried by viii. of the Jurours empanelled, and returned upon the *Venire facias* awarded to try such issue. And in case such persons as the said Bayliffe or Foster shall name and appoint (as is aforesaid) or any of them, after they shal be called, be present, and doe not appearre, or after his or their appearance, do wilfully withdrawe him or themselves from the presence of the Court, that then the Lord Warden, his Deputy, or Steward, for the time being, shall and may set C. iii. s. iii. d. fine upon every such Juror making default, or wilfully withdrawing him selfe (as is aforesaid) the said fine to be levied in such manner and forme by the Bayliffe of the Stannarie Court, as other amerciamentes of the said Court haue bin heretofore levied: and to the issue shal be tried at the same Court, without further delay, and every of the viii. men that be sworne, shal haue xii. l. a pace of the parties, for, and towardes his iourney for that dayes labour, the same money to be levied and parted openly in the face of the Court to the Jurours, immediatly when they haue giuen their verdit, or before their verdit, if the matter of action shall be otherwise ended, or else for default of payment of the same money to be committed to Lidsay, therfore remaine vntill he hath payd the Jurours their said money: and if the Bayliffe or the said court or Foster (as aforesaid) doe not giue warning to the xiiii. that haue first returned, and to every of them, then he to pay his or their issues, that so make default being not warned. And that by vertue of this Act, it shall be lawfull for both Plaintiff and Defendant, to take their challenge to the array, and to the pollis, as wel of them that haue first returned, as of them that be to name, added, and annexed to the former panel, by the said Bayliffe or Foster: and that from henceforth, after this ioyned, the Plaintiff, or the Defendant, shall call no esdyng, any Act heretofore made of custome in the Stannarie beldy, to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Provided alway, and be it attested and remard, that if it happen the Bayliffe, and the array to be thalenged by any of the parties, and therupon the array be quashed, that then the Bayliffe to repay unto the plaintife, the sum of viii. l. viii. s. which he before received for the making of the returne of the said Jurie (as is aforesaid), and that at the same Court, there bin *Venire facias* directed to the Foster of the same quarter, to make returne for the said matter (as aforesaid) at the next Court then following, and then to procede therina.

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as before, and in the same place, all the said criminal punishment and gaol to stand. Also be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, at any time hereafter, make any unlawful labour to any Baylise of the Stannarie Court, or Foster, for, or concerning any returne by him to be made and unpaned, betweene partie and partie, or give, or promise him, or any other person or persons, to his use and behoife, any manner of gift, reward, or portion of money, for the same, or to be left out of any returne hereafter to be made in the Stannarie Court, or give, or promise any manner of gift, reward, or portion of money to any man, that by the Baylise or Foster shall be returned in any Iurie, whether it be before the making of the said returne, or after, for to have credit or favour in his or their matter, other then such portion of money, as to them is limited for their labor at this present court; or if any person or persons at any time hereafter, commit any wilful perjurie, or procure any wilfull perjurie to be committed in any of the four Stannarie Courts; that then he that is laboureth the said Baylise, or Foster, or to giueth or promiseth, as aforesaid, and the Baylise, Foster, or Iurour, that so taketh any such gift, reward, promise, or portion of money, and he that so committeth, or procureth wilfull perjurie (as is aforesaid) every of them so offending, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at a Law Court, shall be committed to the prison of Lidsford, there to remaine til such time as he or they can find sufficient sureties, to make fine with the Lord Warden, his Deputie, or Steward, to the use of our Souereigne Lord the King, having no Prince, and to the Lord Prince, when God shall send us a Prince. And besides that, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at the suite of the partie grieved, that then every of them so offending, shall sat in the penaltie of the one halfe thereof to our Souereigne Lord the King, or Prince, when God shall send us a Prince, and the other to the partie grieved, and a Fieri facias for his or their godes, or a Capias for his or their bodies to be rewarded, as wel for satisfaction of our said Souereigne Lord the King, or Prince, as for the partie grieved.

Also, be it affirmed and enacted, that where sundry Tinne-works and sundry partes of Tinne-works, within the Stannarie of Devon, hereafter benamed, or contained upon one letter of Attourny, is livery passe in one of the said Tinne-works, or part of the same Tinne-works, it shall from henceforth inure, and be a good, sure, and sufficient livery for all the residue named, or to be named, or contained in the same letter of Attourny, in as large and ample manner, as though livery had passed in every one of the said Tin-works, or in every part so named, or to be named, or contained, so that the very Owner of the said part or partes, be therof freed at the time of the said livery, any Act made to the contrary notwithstanding. And that wheresoever any person, is, or shall be seized of dimeres and sundry Tin-works, or partes of Tin-works, and will depart from them all by letter of Attourny, it rehearsal be made upon the letter of Attourny, of the name of one, or certaine of his said works, and the rest, by generall wordes, of all his Tinne-works, or partes of Tinne-works in the countie of Devon, it shall be a good, sure, and sufficient livery in the latine, to all intents, constructions, meanings, and usages, herall recited of every Tinne-works, or part of every Tinne-works, had bin made upon the same. And that likewise livery made, or and in, any part or parcel of the same, to be as good, sufficient, and effectual in the law for the whole, as though livery

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limerie had passed severally in every part and parcell thereof, as is above said. And that all giftes and bequestes of sundrie Tinne-worke or Tinne-works, be it by generall words, as is also x said, or otherwise by Testament hereafter made, or to be made to any person or persons, although the executour or executors of the same Testament refuse to prove the same, be alwaies god, sure, sufficient, and availeable in the Law, according to the said Testament, any Statute, Law, or custome, heretofore had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that no demurrer in the Law, upon any cause, action, or demand, from henceforth be allowed or admitted in any of the fourt Stannarie Courts in the county of Devon.

Also be it affirmed any enacted, that no person or persons from henceforth commence any action in any of the fourt Stannarie courts, except it be for the entring into any Tinne-worke or Tin-works, but only within such Court, within the jurisdiction of which Court, the partie Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, and Defendant or Defendants, or one of them shall inhabite and dwell at the time of the commencement of the same action, upon paine to forfaine and pay to the partie Defendant or Defendants x. s. of lawfull money of England, for every such action commenced, or to be commenced, if the partie Defendant or Defendants, at his or their appearance, wil demand and sue for the same, and execution to be awarded for the same, according to the lawes and customes of the Stannarie, and the Plaintiffs to lose his or their layd Action or Actions: any Lawe, or Custome heretofore used to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Also where before this time, divers fained Actions haue bene prosecuted in the Stannarie courts, wherunto the Defendants haue bene forced to appeare, and ioyne the same to a Countrey, and the layd Actions so ioyned to a Countrey, the Plaintiffs haue suffered the same to be and depend in the Courts, not continued of a long space, vntill such time as the layd Plaintiff hath watched his aduantage, or the absence of the layd Defendant, and then proceeded in the same, in the default of the layd Defendant, not being warned therof, contrarie to all right, equitie and god conscience.

Wherefore be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, from henceforth shall commence any maner of Action in any of the fourt Stannarie courts, wherunto the Defendant appeareth, and doeth ioyne vnto a Countrey, if the layd Plaintiff suffer the layd matter so pleaded to a Countrey to remaine, and doe not proceade and set forth his suite within fourt courts next following, that then his layd Action to be utterly void, and disconcerned, as though it had never bene before pleaded.

Also be it affirmed and enacted, that in all Actions commenced in any of the fourt Stannarie courts, wherupon the damages is not declared aboue the sum of five pounds, except it be in an action of trespass, for entring into any Tinne-worke or Tinne-works, and the partie Defendant will put the same to the triall of the Countrey, then there shall be at the next Court then following fourt honest indiffernt Tinneres returned, appointed, and taken vp in the face of the court, by the Baileye for the time being, by an oth openly in the said court to him to be ministred to trie the layd issue, and there to be charged vpon an oth by the Steward, for the trial of the same matter, and to give verdit ther-

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iv, and alesse damages and costs, according to the order of the lawes of the Stannarie, wherupon all principall chalenges are to be allowed, and other to be returned (as aforesayd) in their stead, by the Bailiffe. And if he be chaledged, then by the Steward for the time being, and the Steward to have for his precept to the Bailiffe, four pence, and the Bailiffe for his returne, four pence.

Also forasmuch as many pitches of sundry Tinne-worikes have bene here, tofore entred into the court of Kolles, or bookes of Record, notwithstanding that many of them haue bin sometime lawfully proued by their old Owners, or the keepers, according to the Statute therof provided, yet alway the same pitches remaine in the saide bookes, as matter of record, and no recorde of writing to the contrary, which in processe of time may be a great occasion of much contrediccion and strife.

Wherefore it is affirmed and enacted, that if there be any Tinne-worike or Tin-worikes hereafter pight, by any person or persons, as a worike alay, and the Owner or Owners or keeper of every such Tinne-worike so pight, doe proue the same worike kept, according to the Statute therof made and provided, so that the pitcher of any worike pitched, do release his sayd pitch, that then the sayd Owner or Owners, or their keepers, or one of them, shal cause the Steward for the time being, within sixe monethes next after the day of the entring of the said pitch, to enter the said proue or release into his booke directly next vnder the place of entry of the sayd pitch, of the laid worike, so proued or released, whereby it may there likewise appearre and remaine as matter of record: so that it be approued sufficiently before the Steward in open Court, by two or three witnessesse sworne for the same, or by confession of the pitcher, or else the said proue and release to be boyd, and the said pitch to be god and availeable, and the Steward, in the day of entring thereof, to proclaim the proue or release in open Court, and to haue for his labour in that behalfe, four pence, and no more. And that it shalbe lawfull for every such principal pitcher to release every such pitch to the old Owner or Owners, within thys moneths next after the day of the last proclamation of the saide pitch, and not after, and at any place, as well by word, as by writing.

Also it is affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, hereafter shal be attachyd by his goods or cattels, by vertue of any attachment, directed out of any of the fourt Stannarie courts, and thereupon doe finde suerties and doe not appearre at the next Court after suerties so found, that then it shall be lawfull to the Bailiffe of the same court where such attachment shalbe made, to returne the same person or persons so attachyd to a Nichil. Any Act or custome heretofore used in the Stannarie to the contrary notwithstanding, forasmuch as it is most requisite that the ffees of all manner of processe, and the pleading of Actions within the Stannarie courts, ought to be apparent to all litigantes there, whereof they haue tofore bene in great ambiguitie and doubt, some paying more, and some lesse.

Wherefore bee it affirmed and enacted, by the authoritie of this present Court, that the Steward, or his Deputie for the time being, shall haue from henceforth, for every attachment sued out, sixe pence, and not aboue. And for every Capias for the body, sixe pence, and not aboue, for every Scire facias to call in proues or witnessesse, wherein is but one name, sixe pence, and not aboue. For every Warrant of the peace, superedias, and recognisance of the peace, every

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every of them six pence. And if there be any more names in a *Scire facias*,
for calling of prizes, or warrant of the peace, supersedias, or recognisance,
then the suer thereof to pay for every name six pence, for every deliverance
but six pence, for every *Scire facias* upon the statute of letting of prize two.£.
that is to say, six d. for the *Scire facias*, how many names soever they be, and
xviii.d. for the bil of the same statute to be made by the steward for every *Scire
facias*, upon all other penall statutes xviii. pence, that is, six d. for every *Scire
facias*, how many names soever there be, and xii. pence for the bill of the same
statute, for every execution, six d. And for al other Processe, but six pence, for
the declaration of any maner of action laid into the court, iiiii. pence, in proper
person, and by attourney, the partie not being present, four pence, and for ta-
king of a day, to impleade being in proper person, two pence. And if there be
more Defendants in the said Action being absent, to pay attorney penny for
every of the Defendants being absent, and for the answere of any Defendant
or Defendants, being lawntly pleaded, and in proper person, four pence, and
by attourney the partie not present, four pence. The Replication & the Retain-
der laid into the court in proper person, or by attourney, every of them four
pence. For entring of every condemnation and iudgement, every of them iiiii.
pence, for every deposition writtē, four pence. For every interrogatory mis-
nistered in the Court in writing, four pence. For entring of every surmisse
upon the Statute of letting of prizes, six pence. For the Lawe gage of e-
very Defendant, six pence. For the esjoyne of every plaint not pleaded, one
penny. For the continuance of every plaint not pleaded, one penny.
For the continuance of every action pleaded, two pence. For every recog-
nisance entring, eight pence. For the copy of the bil of surmisse, eighteen pence.
For the copy of euerie bill upon any other Statute, twelve pence. For
the copy of a declaration of trespass upon the case, viii. pence. For
the copies of all other pleas, iiiii. d. and not above,
for any of the matters before
mentioned.

The Confirmation



The Charter or first Graunt, confirmed, from the time of King Henrie the eighth, hitherto.

ELIZABETHA Dei gratia, Anglie, Francie, & Hibernie, Regina, fidei defensor, &c. Omnibus ad quos praesentes littere peruerenter salutem. Insperimus litteras patentes bona memoriae Dominae Matie, nuper Regine Anglie, Sororis nostrae præcharissimæ, de confirmatione factas in hac verba.

Maria, Dei gratia, Anglie, Francie, & Hibernie, Regina, fidei defensor. Omnibus ad quos praesentes littere peruerenter salutem. Insperimus litteras Domini E. nuper Regis Angliae Sexti fratris nostri, factas in hac verba.

Edwardus Sextus, Dei gratia, Anglie, Francie, & Hibernie, Rex, fidei defensor, & in terra, Ecclesie Anglie, & Hibernie, supremum caput. Omnibus ad quos praesentes littere peruerenter salutem. Insperimus litteras patentes Domini E. nuper Regis Angliae Primi, progenitoris nostris factas in hac verba.

Edwardus, Dei gratia, Rex Anglie, Dominus Hibernie, & Dux Aquitaniæ, Archiæpiscopis, Episcopis, Abbatibus, Prioribus, Comitibus, Baronibus, Justiciariis, Vicecomitibus, Praesidis, Ministris, & omnibus Balliis, & fideibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos ad emendationem Stanniarum nostrarum in Comitatu Denonie, & ad tranquilitatem & quietatem Stannorum nostrorum earundem, concessisse pro nobis, & heredibus nostris, quod omnes Stannatores prædicti operantes in Stannariis illis quæ sunt Dominica nostra, dum operantur in eisdem Stannariis, sint liberi & quieti, de placitis natuorum, & de omnibus placitis, & querelis curiam nostram, & heredum nostrorum qualitercumq; tangentibus, ita quod non respondeant coram aliquibus Justiciariis vel Ministris nostris, seu heredum nostrorum de aliquo placito, seu querela infra prædictas Stannarias emergent. nisi coram Custode nostro Stannarii, cum nostrorum prædictarum, qui pro tempore fuerit, exceptis placitis terra, & vita, & membrorum, nec recedant ab operationibus suis per summonitionem alicuius Ministrorum nostrorum, seu heredum nostrorum, nisi per summonitionem dicti Custodi nostri. Et quod quieti sint de omnibus tallagijs, thelonijs, stallagijs, auxilijs, & alijs custumis quibuscumq; in villis, portibus, feijs, & mercatis in Comit. prædicto, de bonis suis proprijs. Concessimus etiam ejusdem Stannaribus, quod fodere possint Stannum, & turbas ad Stannum fundendum ubiq; in terris, moris, & vastis nostris, & aliorum quorumcumq; in com. præd. & aquas & curlus aquarum ad operationes Stanniarum prædictarum diuertere, ubi & quoties opus fuerit, & emere buscam ad funturam Stanni sicut antiquitus fieri consuevit,

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confuerit, sine impedimento nostri vel hæredum nostrorum, Episcoporum, Abbatum, Priorum, Comitum, Baronum, seu aliorum quorumcunq; & quod Custos noster prædictus, vel eius locum tenens, teneat omnia placita inter Stannatores prædictos emergentia, & etiam inter ipsos & alios forinsecos, de omnibus transgressionibus, querelis, & contractibus factis in locis, in quibus operantur, infra Stannarias prædictas similiter emergentia, & quod idem Custos habeat plenam potestate in ad Stannatores prædictos, & alios forinsecos in huiusmodi placitis Iusticiandi, & paribus Iustitiam faciendi, prout iustum, & haec tenus in Stannariis illis fuerit visitatum. Et si qui Stannatorum prædictorum in aliquo deliquerint, per quod in carcere debeat, per Custodem prædictum arrestentur, & in præsencia nostra de Lidsforde, & non alibi custodiantur, & detineantur, quoque secundum legem & consuetudinem regni nostri delibereintur. Et si aliqui Stannatorum prædictorum super aliquo facto infra Comitatum prædictum, non tangente Stannarias prædictas, se posuerint in inquisitione patrum, vna inmediatas litorum inquisitionis huiusmodi, sit de Stannatoribus prædictis, & alia inmediatas de forinsecis. Et de facto totaliter tangente Stannarias prædictas, sicut inquisitiones sicut haec tenus fieri consueverunt, & si quis eorumdem Stann. fugitius fuerit, vel vlagatus, vel aliquid delictum fecerit, pro quo catalla sua amittere debet, catalla illa per Custodem prædictum, & Coronatorem nostrum Comitatus prædicti appresententur, & per ipsos proximis villatis liberentur ad respondendum inde nobis, & hæredibus nostris, coram Iusticiariis itinerantibus in comitatu prædicto: volumus insuper, & firmiter præcipimus, quod totum Stannum, tam album quam nigrum, ubi cumque inveniunt & operatum fuerit, in comitatu prædicto ponderetur apud Tawstock, Asherton, vel Chaggesford, per pondera nostra ad hoc ordinata & signata, sub forisfactura totius Stanni prædicti, & quod totum illud Stannum coignetur in eisdem villis singulis annis, coram Custode prædicto, ante diem Sancti Michaelis in Septembre, sub forisfactura prædicta. Et concessimus pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quod omnes Stannatores nostri prædicti, totum Stannum suum sic ponderatum licite vendere possint cuicunq; voluerint in villis prædictis, faciendo inde nobis & hæredibus nostris coignagium, & alias consuetudines debitas & vñitatis, nisi nos vel hæredes nostri Stannum illud emere voluerimus. Quare volumus, & firmiter præcipimus, pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quod Stannatores nostri prædicti habeant omnes libertates, liberas consuetudines, & quietancias supradictas: & quod eis sine occasione, vel impedimentoo nostri, vel hæredum nostrorum, Iusticiariorum, Escaetorum, Vicecomitum, aut aliorum Balhuorum, seu Ministrorum nostrorum quorumcumque rationabiliter gaudeant & vtantur, forma prædicta. His testibus venerabilibus Patribus VV. Couent. & Lichfield. S. Sarum, & I. Karliolen Episcopis, Henrico de Laci Comite Lincoln. Radulpho de monte Hermerij Comite Gloucest. & Herf. Humphredo de Bohun Comite de Hereforde & Essex, Adomaro de Valencia, Hugone le Despenser, Iohanne de Hastings, & alijs. Dat per manum nostram, apud VVestmonasterium, decimo die Aprilis, anno regni nostri tricesimo tertio.

Nos autem literas prædictas, ac omnia, & singula in eisdem contenta, rata habentes & grata, ea pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, acceptamus & approbamus, ac dilectis nobis Stannatoribus Stannariæ prædictæ tenore præsentium ratificamus, & confirmamus, prout literæ prædictæ rationabiliter testantur. In cuius rei testimonium, has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes.

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Teste meipso, apud V. Westmonasterium, vicefimo tertio die Iunij, anno regni nostri primo.

Nos autem literas praedictas, ac omnia & singula in eisdem contenta, ratabantes & grata, ea pro nobis & hæredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, acceptamus & approbamus, ac dilectis nobis nunc Stannatoribus Stannariæ praedictæ, tenore presentium ratificamus & confirmamus, prout literæ praedictæ in se rationabiliter testantur. In cuius rei testimonium, has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso, apud V. Westmonasterium, tricefimo die Aprilis, anno regni nostri primo.

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W. Lewis.

Taxatur ad. iiiij. li.

N. Bacon.

Examinatur per nos { Richardum Redem, & } { Clericos, }
{ Ambonium Huic. } { Ammonium Huic. }



of the Charter.

A true Copie of the Charter, or Graunt, made by King Edward the first, Englisched Verbatim.

Edward by the grace of God King of England, Lord of Ireland, and Duke of Aquitaine: To all Archbishops, Bishops, Abbots, Priours, Earles, Barons, Justices, Sheriffes, Provoosts, Ministers, and to all Baillifses, and other his faithfull subiects, greeting. Know ye, that we for the amendment of our Stannaries in the countey of Devon, and for the quiet and profit of our Tinners of the same, haue granted, to vs, and our heires, that all Tinners aforesayd, working in thole Stannaries, which are our Demaines, so long as they worke in the same Stannaries, be free and quit from all pleas of villainies, and from all pleas and plaintes, our Court, and of our heires, in what maner soever touching. So that they shall not answer before any our Justices, or Ministers, or of our heires, for any plea, or plaint, growing within our Stannaries aforesayd, but before our Warden of our Stannaries aforesayd, for the time being, (pleas of land, life, and limme excepted.) Nor that they depart from their works by summonis of any of the Officers of vs, or of our heires, but by the Summons of our said Warden, and that they be quit from all Tallages, Tolles, Stallages, Aides and other Customes whatsoeuer, to their owne proper goods, in the Townes, Portes, Faires and Markets within the Countie aforesaid: we haue granted also to the same Tinners, that they may dig Tinne, and Turnes for the melting of Tinne every where, in our Lands, Hires, and Wallases, and of all other persons whatsoeuer in the Countie aforesayd; and the waters and water-courses, for the workes of the Stannaries aforesayd, to turne, wheres, and as often as neade shall be, and to buy Bushment for the melting of Tinne, as of old time hath bene accustomed to be done, without let of vs, or our heires, Bishops, Abbots, Priours, Earles, Barons, or other persons whatsoeuer: and that our Warden aforesayd, or his Lieutenant, hold al pleas growing betweene the Tinners aforesayd, and also betweene them and other Forreiners of all Trespasses, Plaints, and Contracts made in places (in which they work within the Stannaries aforesayd) likewise arising. And that the same Warden haue full power, to Justifie the Tinners aforesayd, and other Forreiners in such pleas, & to doe Justice to the parties as right requireth, and as heretofore in those Stannaries hath bin accustomed: and if any of the said Tinners, in any thing shall offend, whereby they ought to be impysioned, that they be arrested by the Warden, and in our prison of Lidsford (and not elsewher) be kept and detaine, untill they be deliuered, according to the Law and Custome of our Realme. And if any the Tinner aforesayd, upon any fact within

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the Countie aforesaid, not touching the aforesaid Stannaries, shall put him selfe vpon the enquire of the Country, one halfe of the Jurours of such Inquest, shal be of the Tanners aforesaid, and the other halfe of Forreiners. And of fact altogether touching the Stannaries aforesaid, the Inquests be made, as heretofore they haue biene accustomed. And if any of the same Tanners be fugitive, or outlawed, or commit any offence, for which he ought to lose his Cattels, that the same Cattels be apprised by the Warden aforesaid, and our Coronet of the said Countie, and by them to the next Villages delivered, to answere thereof to vs and our heires before the Justices in Dyer in the countie aforesaid. Furthermore, we will and straightly command, that all Tin, as wel white, as blacke, (wheresoever it shall be founde and brought in the Countie aforesaid) be weighed at Tamistocke, Asherton, and Chaggesford, by our weights, thereto ordained and marked, vnder the forfeiture of all the Tinne aforesaid; and that all that Tinne bee coyned in the same Townes, yearly before our sayd Warden, before the day of Saint Michael in September, vnder the forfeiture aforesaid. We haue granted also, to vs, and our heires, that all our Tanners aforesaid, all their Tinne so weighed, lawfully may sell, to whom they will, in the townes aforesaid, doing thereof to vs and our heires the coynage, and other the customes due and vled, except wee or our heires, will buy the said Tinne our selues. Wherefore we will, and to vs, and our heires straightly command, that our Tanners aforesaid, haue all liberties, free Customes, and Quietances above written, and that the same, without let or impeachment of vs, or our heires, Justices, Exchetours, Admirals, or other our Baylifes, or Ministers whatsoeuer, they reasonably enjoy and vse in forme aforesaid. These being witnesses, the Worshippfull fathers, M. Bishop of Conuertie and Lichfield, S. Bishop of Sar. and I. Bishop of Carlisle, Henry Lacy Earle of Lincolne, Raulfe of Mount Perrier Earle of Gloucester and Hertford, Humphrey of Bohun Earle of Hereford and Essex, Adomar of Walence, Hugh le Despencer, John Hastings, and others. Given by our hand, at Westminster, the tenth day of April in the xxiiij. yere of our Reigne.

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1574.



Deuon. The great Court or
Parliament of our Soueraigne
Lady Elizabeth, by the grace
of God, Queene of England,
France, and Ireland, Defen-
dor of the Faith, &c. of her
Dutchie of Cornemall, holden

at Crockerentorre in the said Countie of Deuon,
before the right Honorable Frances Earle of Bed-
ford, Knight of the most Noble Order of the Gar-
ter, Lord Warden of the Stannaries of Deuon, and
Cornemall, and of the Counties of Deuon, Corne-
wall, Dorset, and the cittie of Excester, then Lieute-
nant for her Highnesse, The sixt day of August,
in the yeere of her Maiesies most

happie Reigne the
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At which day and place, according to the ancient Order and Custome, appeared xxvij.

Iurates of every the severall Courts of the
Stannarie of Deuon.

The names of the Iurates.

XXIII. Iurates in the Stannarie Court of Chaggesforde.

John Marshall gent.	Thomas Noseworthy.
William Battifill gent.	Barnabe Hore.
William Ayllie.	Thomas Leer.
John Newcombe thelder.	George Parre.
William Newcombe.	William Carpenter.
Thomas Yoldon.	Christopher Langworthy.
Gregory Loskey.	Richard Downman.
John Cornish.	John Caseley.
John Wookot of Hemlocke.	William Foxford.
Geoffrey Christopher.	Henry Thewell.
John Foxford.	William Leech.
John Trend.	John Lincol.

XXIII. Iurates in the Stannarie Court of Ashberton.

John Row younger gent.	Richard Chafe.
John Finsland gent.	William Lamynshed.
Oliver Frankling gent.	Philip Petersfield.
Christopher Waring.	Thomas Abraham.
William Wotten alias Gale.	William Ellis.
John Heale.	John Caunter.
William Vsher.	Edward Hannaford.
Angell Maddocke.	William Foster.
Adrian Foxford.	Richard Meacomb.
Richard Foster.	Richard Widecomb.
William Meaccombe.	Frances Dodde.
Augustine Hexte.	John Mayer.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plimpton.

William Stretchley arm.
Phillip Strode gent.
Thomas Elford gent.
Roger Reade Gent.
John Heale of Heale gent.
John Elford gent.
William Warring.
John Awton.
John Worth.
John Windeate.
Alexander Webbe.
Henry Ame.

William Stert.
Nicholas Bickford.
John Stephen.
John Cannamore.
Edward Cragge.
Henry Ham.
William Chubbe.
Elizeus Shullabear.
Henry Odimer.
Nicholas Hedde.
John Grey.
John Bowdon.

XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Tawstocke.

John Glauncle gent.
William Prideaux gent.
John Cake gent.
Richard Langsford of Bratton.
Peter Ebbisworthy.
Richard Lanxford of Moreton.
Richard Drake.
John Lugger.
John Sleeman.
John Gill.
John Stutworthy.
John Richard.

John Sprie.
William Allin.
Peter Burges.
John Sooper.
Thomas Shippes.
Richard Dunridge.
Thomas Knighton.
John Hannaford.
William Harragrow.
Walter Elford.
Richard Roo.
Thomas Macie.

W^Hich said Iurours being according to the ancient Custome chosen, tried, and sworne, by the whole assent and consent of al the Timmers of the said countie of Devon, do enact, affirme, ordaine, & by these presents establish, that a well all Statutes now new made, as al other Statutes heretofore there made and ordained (other then such Statutes as now in this Court, and in other Courts heretofore holden there, are made frustrate, and of none effect) do, and shall henceforth wholy remaine in full strength and force. At the humble petitions therefore of the Timmers of this Countie of Devon. Be it enacted, ordained, and established in maner and forme following. Videlicet.

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An act for the preseruation of Hauens
in the Countie of Deuon, decayed by Rubble
falling from Tinne-works.



First, whereas for the better preservation, and
maintenaunce of the Hauens and Poorts of Plym-
outh, Dartmouth, Teingmouth, Falmouth, and
Fowey, there have bin hertofoore ii. sundry Statutes,
and Acts in the high Court of parliament, holden at
Westminster, wheroof the one in the xxii. yere, and
the other in the xxvii. yere of the reigne of the late
King of most famous memorie, King Henrie the
Eight, were ordained and made, in which said Sta-
tutes, it hath bin by great pollicy ordayned, and de-
vised, that no person or persons, from and after the end of the said Parliament,
should labour, or worke, in any maner of Tinne-works, called Streame-
works, within the soresaid Counties of Deuon, or Cornwall, nigh to any of
the fresh waters or rivers, or other low places ther descending, or hauing course
to the soresaid Hauens, and Poorts, or any of them, or should labour, dig, or
wash any Tinne in any of the said Tinne-works, called Streame-works,
unles the Digger, Owner, or Master did make sufficiet Hatches, or Ties in
the end of their Buddels, and Cordes, and therein put or lay, or cause to be put
or layd, all their said stones, grauell, and rubble digged about the searching,
finding, and washing of the said Tinne, there to be wholy and surely kept, by
the said Hatches and Tyes, out and from the aforesaid freshe Rivers, vpon
certaine paines mencioned in the said severall Statutes, as further in the said
Statutes more at large is contayned: which said Statutes, for that they (not
being put in due execution) haue not brought, such redresse of the annoisance
of the said Poorts, and Hauens, as thereby was meant, & hath been looked for.
And to the end, that the contents of the said severall Statutes, and the mis-
chiefs therein declared, may the better hereafter be reformed: It is now en-
acted ouer and besides the penalties and provissons already ordained, in the
said two severall Statutes, that is, vpon any bil, plaint, or Information made
or exhibited, in any of the Courts of the Stannarie, in the soresaid Countie of
Deuon, against any person or persons, for any offence, done contrarie to the
provisson of the soresaid Statutes, or either of them, and that the person or per-
sons, so offending, be thereof duly conviued, either by the verdict of xi. men, or
more, or by his, or their owne confession, that the partie or parties so convicted,
for the first offence, shall forfeit, and incurre the penaltie of so/tie Markes, to
be leuied of his godes, and Cattelles, by *Fierifacius*, as other penalties, and
sofciitures, are accustomed to be leuied, the one halfe of al which sofciitures, to
be to our Souereigne Lady the Quenes Maiesty, hir Heires, and Succes-
sours, hauing no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the
Lord Prince, and the other halfe, to the partie that wil sue for the same, by bil,
plaint, or information: In which sute, no Protection, Elcione or wager of law,

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to be allowed for the Defendant. And if the partie so offending, doe esstones offend, and be thereof convicted (as aforesaid) that then he to lose all such Interest, Estate, and Termes, as he hath in the said wozkes, either in his owne right, or in the right of his wife, during his naturall life, the one Moitie of which said Tanne-wozkes, to be to our Soueraine Lady the Queenes Maiesty, her Heires, and Successours, having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince, and the other Moitie, to him that will sue for the same, in any of the Courts of the said Stannarie, by bill, plaint, or Information: in which suit, no Protection, Escoune, or wager of Law, to be allowed for the Defendant. And if the partie, or parties so offending, (and thereof convicted as aforesaid,) be not able to pay and satisfie, the penaltie of forre spaknes aforesaid, that then the said partie, or parties, shall be committed to the prison of Ludford, there to haue the impriuilonment of one whole yere, without Bayle or mayng pale.

And be it also further enacted, that if the Steward of the said Stannarie courts for the time being, do not, at the day to be holden, within the said Stannarie, give this ordinance, & Statute, in charge to the Jurie of the same courts, that then the said Steward shall for his negligence, incurre the penaltie of five pound for eche time so offending, to be levied by *Pari facias*, to the use of our soueraine Lady the Queenes Maiesty, her heires, and successors, having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince.

And for the better preseruation of the Hauen aforesaid: Be it further enacted, that it shall be lawfull, for any Person, or Persons, from henceforth, working in any Hatche-wozkes, or Streame-wozkes, to convey and carry their Rubble, gravel, and sand, of any such wozkes, into any Hatches, Cy-pittes, morne places, or groundes, which haue bin of ancient time wrought, or any other convenient places, as well within the limittes and boundes of the said Tanne-wozkes, as elsewhere, so that it be not prejudicall to the working of any wozke already pitched, and not throughly wrought vnto the Shelsse: And that it shall not be lawfull, for any Person or Persons, hereafter to diggs, or wozke, for Tanne in any Streame-wozke, within threyscore fote of the maire or great freshe Riuers, commonly called by the names of Ceyng, Dart, Plym, Tavy, Walkham, or Tamar, running or descending to any of the Hauen aforesaid: Nor shall wozke any Hatche-wozke, within fourte and twenty fote of any the riuers aforesaid. And that all, and every person and persons, working in the said Hatche-wozkes, shal make, and prouide such strenghtyng of places and stays, as that the force of any of the foresaid Riuers, at the tound or overflowing of any of them, doe not carie away any abundance of gravel, Rubble, or sand, to the noisance, or hurt of any of the Hauen aboue specified, vpon paine of such fine, and penaltie, as shall be assesseid for the said offence, by the Lord Warden, or his under Warden, in that behalfe, if it be found by verda of twelve men at a Lawe day. Provided always, that no person or persons, shall incurre the daunger or penaltie of any of the Statutes made at this present great Court, or Parliament, before the publication of the effect of the same at eue.

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courts of this county
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30 An Acte for the true weights and
measures to be had in buying and
selling of Tinne.

That every Tinner within the Stannarie of Devon, which will keep a Coppe, or Gallon, betwixt the day of this present Parliament, and the feast of Saint Michael the Archangell, then next following, shall have one Measure, for the meating of blacke Tyme, called a Coppe, or a Gallon, newly to be made, and sealed with a seale to that use to be provided, and kept by the Steward of the said Stannarie, with also the halfe Gallon, and a pound Dish. The Gallon, to containe sixe wine quarts of Winchester measure, and no more: And the halfe Gallon, to containe thre wine quarts of the saame measure, and no more: And the pound dish, to containe one quart of wine measure, and no more: And that the saide measures, and every of them, shall be from time to time, sealed by the said Steward, his Deputie, or Deputies: and the said Steward, his Deputie or Deputies, to haue for the in sealing of every such gallon, halfe gallon, or pound dish, one penny.

And likewise, that no person or persons, of the Stannarie aforesaid, which after the feast of Saint Michael the Archangell next commynge, shall become a Tinner, shall deliver, sell, or measure, by any other measure then is aforesaid, upon the paine, that every one that shall offend, or doe contrary to this act, and (being thereof duly conuicted at a law day, by the verdict of twelve men or mo) shall incurre and susteine the penaltie of soxte shillings, for each time so offending, the one halfe to be to the Quenes Maiestie, her heires, and successours, haing no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince, the other halfe to be to the partie, that will sue for the same, within the Court of the said Stannarie (wheras the offence is, or shalbe done, or committed) by bilaient, or information; in which suite, no esloyne, protection, or wager of him, to be allowed for the defendant. And the said penaltie to be leuied, to the uses aforesaid, by *Fieri facias*, as in such like cases is accustomed.

We it also further enaucted, that every person or persons, that hereafter shall weigh any white Tyme, at any beame within the said Stannarie of Devon, shall, without fraud or couyn, list and set vp right, the ballances or weights of the said beam, and the Buyer or Buyers, to haue the iust weight, and content of his piece of white Tyme, and two pound weight of white Tyme ouer, to be allowed to him for his lase, upon paine that the said Buyer or Buyers, that shall deceiptfully use himself, in the listing or setting vp right of the said ballances or weights, and (being thereof duly conuict) shall, for each time so offending, incurre the penaltie of soxte shillings, to the uses aforesaid, and to be leuied as aforesaid.

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An Act for the registering of Tinneres, and to reforme the disorders of the Procelles called Nichils, against such as be no Tinneres.



¶ the avoiding of divers craftis, iniurious, and indirect vexations, heretofore used, and practised, by divers and sundry enimy bispaleþ persons, in pursuing, and getting soþth of the Courts of the Stannarie, within the layd Countie of Devon, the Procelles commonly called *Nichil*, to the iniurious vexation of divers the Quenes Maiesties subiects, and great slander of the Lawes, of the layd Courts of the Stannarie: For the due reformation whereof, Be it ordained, and enacted, and established, that eche, and every Tinner, of the layd Countie of

Devon, within sixe weekes immediately insuing the feast day of Saint Michael the Archangel next comming, after this present great Court or Parliament, shall, before the Steward of the layd Stannarie courts, or his Deputy or Deputies, record, enter, and register, or (as much as in him lieth) shal cause to be recorded, entered, and registered in a register booke, to that use to bee provided (other then such as be alreadie registered) his name, and surname, upon the paine, to every Tinner, that shall not do as abovesaid, to forfaine, and incurre, the penaltie of fine pounds, to be levied of his gods and cattels, by *Fieri facias*, (as is in other like cases accustomed) the one halfe of which penaltie and forfiture, to be to our Souereigne Lady the Quenes Maiestie, her heires, and successors, having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince, the other halfe to the partie, that will sue for the same, in any of the Courts of the layd Stannarie: in which suit, no Escoine, Protection, or Wager of law, to be allowed for the Defendant.

And be it further enacted, that eche and every person and persons, (other then such, upon whose oþre or oþres in open Court, before the Steward of the Stannarie to be made,) it shall appeare, that he, or they were not cognisant, of any Tinne-worke or Tinne-workes, descended, come, or cast vpon him or them, being of the full age of xvi. yeres, which at the ende of this present Parliament is no Tinner, and shall at any time hereafter become and be a Tinner, by any wates or meanes, shall (within two moneths, next after he shal so become a Tinner) vnder, and vpon the like penalty of fine pounds, to be forfaiþed, & levied to the uses aforesaid, enter or cause to be entered, in the aforesaid Register booke, his and their name and names, surname and surnames.

Be it also further enacted, by force of this present great Court, or Parliament

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ment, that every person and persons, being of the full age of rri. yéres, which hereafter shall alienate, or depart with all and every his Tinner-worke, to any person, or persons, by any wayes, or meanes (vailesse it be by devise in his last Will and Testament) shall within two moneths, after such Alienation, cause the Steward of the Stannary, for the time being, or his Deputie, to cancell, or put out, the entry of his name, and surname, vpon the like paine, and forfaiture of five pounds, to be levied in like sort, and to the vse abovesaid. And the Steward for the time being, shall, by force of this present Act, have for the entrie, and enrolment of every such persons name, and surname, as aforesaid, two pence: and for every search, or cancelling (as aforesaid) two pence, and no more. And if the Steward of the said Stannary, his Deputie or Deputies, or any of them, shall, vpon request to him or them made, refuse, or fraudulently deserte, to make such entry, or cancelling, as aforesaid, with the day and yeaer of the sayd entry and cancelling, or by any corrupt, iust, or sinistre meane, doe alter, or suffer to be altered, the said register booke, contrary to the true meaning of this present Act, or doe not in such sort, glie vp and deliver, the saide booke at the ende, and expiration of his office, unto the Stewarde next succeeding him, or doe grant, any processe of Nichil against any person or persons, not being a Tinner or Tinnery, for any matter, or cause not determinable within the said Stannary courts, or some one of them, and appearing vpon the declaration of the said plaintife, that the said cause is not determinable there, and the said Steward do not immediately dismiss the said cause out of the said Court: That then the saide Steward, being therof duly convicted, by examination, or other tryall, to be made before the Lord Warden, or his Deputie Warden of the Stannarie of Devon, according to the custome and vse of the said Stannarie, shall lose and forfete for each time so offending, five pounds, the one halfe to be to the vse of our Soueraigne Ladie the Quenes Maiestie, her heires, and successoress, having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince, and the other halfe to the partie grieved, and to be levied by *Fieri facias*, as other penalties forfaid, are accustomed to be levied.

And further, it is enacted, ordained and established, that if any Tinner doe at any time hereafter, arrest, or molest, by the saide processe, called a Nichil, any foreinier, not being taken within the ancient iurisdiction, or precinct of any of the fourre Stannarie courts of Devonshire, for any matter not determinable within the said courts: that then the saide Tinner, being therof duly convicted, shall incurre the penaltie and forfeteiture of five pounds. And neuerthelesse, the same arrest to be vitterly boyld, to all intents, and purposes. The one halfe of all which severall forfeitures, before recited or expresed (the forfeiture for the offences to be committed by the said Steward, as is afore mentioned onely excepted) to be to the vse, of our Soueraigne Ladie the Quenes Maiestie, her heires, and successoress, having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince: the other halfe, to the partie that will sue for the same, in any of the fourre Stannarie courts, by bill, plaint, information, or otherwise: in which suite, no esigne, protection, or wager of law, to be allowed for the Defendant. And if the partie so offending, and being therof duly convicted, by any of the meanes aforesaid, be not able to satisfie the said summe of five pound (as aforesaid) that then, he to have the impre-

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imprisonment of thre moneths, without bayle or mainprise.

Provided alwayes, that no person, or persons, so suing any other Tinner, or Tinnery, whose name or names, be not registred (as is aboue said) shall incurre any penaltie, or danger of any Statute heretofore made.

Be it also further enacted, and ordyned, at this present great Court of Parliament, that vpon every penall Statute, wheresoever, that shall be sued in any of the fourre Staunarie Courts, and vpon every other bill of complaint, there exhibited, there shal be a *Scire facias* awarded (as heretofore it hath bin commonly vsed) to compell the parties (against whom any such bill, or suite shall be commenced, or exhibited) to appear: and also, for the leuying of every penaltie of any Statute, to be sued in any of the said Courts, a *Fieri facias* shall be so awarded, as it hath bin commonly vsed: and if the Bayliffe return that he cannot finde sufficient godes of the partie, against whom the same *Fieri facias* shall be so awarded, whereof the same may be leuied, then a *Capias* to be awarded, to take his body to satisfie the same. But if such parties shall haue found swerties, before they shal be convicted of any such penaltie, then processe to be made against the swerties, according to the customes of the Staunarie, any lawe or Statute now, or heretofore made to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

An Act for the working in woodde grounds, pasture grounds, meadowe grounds, allotting (in some cases) a tenth part to the Owners.

Be it enacted, ordayned, and established, that no Tinner or Tinnery, by himselfe, or any other for him, or to his use, shal at any time after the feaste day of Saint Michael the Archangell next ensuing the day of this present Parliament, worke, or digge for Tyme, to haue had in any meadowe ground, or pæce of ground, which now, or most commonly, for the space of xv. yeres last past, hath bin vsed as meadowe ground, other then in such meadowes, wherein any Tinnie-worke, or Tinne-worke are now in working, or within two monethes last past were usually wrought, and shall hereafter be in working, and not lyng unworught by the space of one quarter of a yere: or shall worke, or digge in any Orchard, Garden, Mansion house, or houses, or other buildings, or Curtilages, belonging to the same Mansion house, or houses, or in any land, that shall be wrought, or in working, by beat- ing, dunging, or dressing for tillage, or in any other ground, wherevpon is or hereafter shall be, any graine, or corne growing, during the time that the graine or corne shall be so growing, nor during the ferme of two yeres, next and immediately after the reaping, or cutting off the first breach of the ground, so sownen (as is aforesaid) and vntil such time, as the graine, or corne so grow-

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ing, shall be cutte, and tinned, or otherwise saued, or by reason of any the said
Tinne-worke (Beame-worke only excepted) shall subuert, destroy, or o-
uerthow, any Timber coppes, or Shere-wood, or Woods, Crone, or Croves,
or any parcell thereof, to the number of twenty trees, of Oke, Ashe, or Elmes
of twenty yeares growth or more, without the speciall licence, of both the
Loyde, and the Tenant of the said Meadowes, Gardens, Orchardcs, houses,
Buildings, Grounds, Curtilages, and Woods, vpon paine to forfeit to our
Souveraigne Lady the Queene Maiesty, her Heires, and Successors, (having
no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince,)
for every such offence, if it be found by verdict of twelve men at a law day, five
pounds, and to the partie greued, triple damages.

Provided alwayes, that it shall be lawfull, for all Tinners, to carry water
to, and from any Tinne-worke, or Tinne-workes, in, over, or through any
Madowes, or Orchardcs, Woods, Crones, and all other land, any clause,
sentence, or article in this present Act to the contrarie therof in any wise not-
withstanding.

Provided alwayes, and be it likewise enacted, that the Owner, and Ow-
ners of euery such Tinne-worke, now in working, or that, within two mo-
neths last past was wrought, and hereafter shall be in working, in any mea-
dowe, or meadowes, shall fill and make leuell, or cause to be filled, and made
leuell, (as neare as he or they conueniently may) all and every the wrought
places, within the said Tinne-worke, so hereafter to be wrought, within one
yeare next after they haue left working, of the same Meadow or Meadowes:
so as such filling be not noysome to the working, or conveying of water to or
from any Tinne-worke, and that vpon paine of forfeiture of fourtie. to the
use of our Soueraigne Lady the Queene Maiesty (having no Prince, and
when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince) if it be found by
verdict of twelve men, at a law day, in any of the fourte Hennarie Courts,
where the said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-worke lye, besides triple damages
to be yelded by the offendour, in that behalfe, to the parties greued, to be recu-
nered by Action of trespass vpon his case, information, bill, or otherwise, in
any of the fourte Hennarie Courts, where the said Meadow or Meadowes lie.

And considering the great losses, that many haue, and doe sustaine, by my-
ning and subuerting of their Lands, and yet haue no maner of profit, in place
thereof: for redresse wherof and in part of recompence, be it therefore enacted,
and ordyned, that in all Meadowe grounds, god pasture, and Landes that
haue bin commonly vsed, or converted to tillage, the Loydes and Tenants
therof, to haue in all betweene them, the tenth part of the profit of so much of
every Tinne-worke, hereafter new pitched, and gayned by the same pitch, as
shall be wrought within the same land, meadowe, or pasture, dōing the char-
ges for working, and other costes of the same tenth part, as other Owners
of the same shall do for their parts.

Provided also, that the intent of this Statute, is not that the same shall ex-
tend, to any tillage, buildings, Orchardcs, or meadowes, hereafter to be made,
and newly created, by fraude, or of purpose, to let and hinder the working of
any Tinne-worke, or Tinne-worke, but that this prouiso, in that behalfe,
shall be construed, and taken to be most beneficall for the Owners, and wor-
kers of any such Tinne-worke, or Tinne-worke.

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An Act for the punishment of false Verdictes, and for the true entring of verdictes, and iudgementes.



¶ By the due correction, and just punishment of untrue verdictes, if hencesorth it be bled, or committed, in any of the Stannarie courts of Devon: & there by, the sooner to avoyd the ensuing great mischiess, comming of the same, to the hurt of many of her Maesties subiects: and for which no certaine or ordinary remedy is had, or provided, in, or by any the Stannarie lawes, now in force. Be it therefore enacted, established, and ordeyned, at this present great court of Parliament, and by the autho:ritie of

the same: that when, and as often, as any untrue, or false verdit, hereafter shal happen to be given in any of the four Stannarie Courts aforesaid, upon complaint thereof made, with due proofo, and triall thereof had, by commission, or by any other such lawfull meanes, as shall be thought good to the Lord Warden, or his Deputy: the Jurors so offending, shall suffer such punishment for the same offence, and pay such fine therfor, to the vse of the Queens Maestie, her heires, and successours, (having no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince) as shall be adjudged or awarded, by the Lord Warden, or his Deputy, so as such fine exceede not the summe of one hundred pounds: and the partie that shall sustaine wrong, losse, or hindernance, by such false verdictes shall be satisfied, or recompensed for the same, as by the discretion of the Lord Warden, or his Deputy, may be thought convenient. And for the execution of this Statute, such proesse to be awarded, as heretofore hath beeuen used in the Stannarie Courtes, upon penal Statutes, and other contempnes, or otherwise by any lawfull meanes: And if after due proofo, and triall of the cause, complained (as aforesaid,) it doe appear that the Jurie, upon whome such complaint shall be made, have given a true verdit: Then they to recover, and have of him, or them, that shall make such untrue, and wrongfull complaint, their costes and charges, in that behalfe sustained, to them to be awarded, by the said Lord Warden, or his Deputy.

And forasmuch as all the pleadinges, of the Stannarie Courtes, remaine in Scroles, and of no record, after the pleas determined, whereby diverse inconueniences have ensued, and may ensue: For remedy whereof, vs it affirmed, and enacted, that from hencesorth, in all the Stannarie Comtes, of this Countie of Devon, the substance of every iudgement, verdit, and execution, for, or concerning any Tyme worke, or Tyme workes, or part, or partes of any Tyme worke, or Tyme workes, and also the verdit, iudgement, and Execution, of all other matters, whereof the recovery by the iudgement shall exceede the value of forty shillinges, and a short note of the matter (whereupn it proceeded) shall be entred by the Sheriff, or his Deputy, in a booke that shall alwaies remaine, in the same court of record, where such iudgement

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ment shall be given, as briefly as may be, whereby the effect thereof, may be fully perceived. And for the entryng of every of the same effectes, of the heretic, judgement, and execution, the Sotewarde to haue for every declaration, and for every plea, sic perte, any law or statute heretofore made, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

An Act against such as shall escape from Musters, being Tanners, and against alienations and sales of Tinne-works, vnder the age of xxij. yeares.



Whereas at such times, as bypon the Queenes highnesse appointment, or commandement, the Lord Warden hath addressed his Commission to his Deputy Warden, with in the so-faid Countie of Devon, and Cornwal, to take the view and musters, of all his persons, within his office of the Statuaries, & the service of her Majestie in her tawres, divers and sundrie persons, being Tanners, and Tanners, vndutifully, and traitorously, haue given up their huldes and works, to the end they would not be within the compasse of commandement of the said commission, for the musters of the said Statuaries: and the said musters being past, haue tassones entred into their said Tin-works again. To mede therefore with such vndutiful and naughtie practises and dealings, it is now ordained and enacted, that whatsoeuer person or persons, within twenty dayes next before the publishing of any commission for muster, and view, of the Tanners within the said Statuaries, shall be in works in any Tinne-work, or haue, or take any commodity, as profit, as a Tanner of the said Statuaries, and shall so fruidently infringe his labours, or Tinne-works, and be thereof convicted before the Deputy Warden, or Sotewarde of the said Statuaries, by vertue of xii. men, at a daye, within the jurisdiction of the Statuarie court, where any such person or persons, that inhabite or dinell, shall forfeite for such offence, fine pound, to be levied of his goods and cattels, by *Fiduciaries*, as in such like cases of forfeitures hath bin accustomed, the one partie whereof, to be to our souveraine lady the Queenes Majestie, her heires and successours, haing no threwe, and when God shall send us a Prince, then to the Lord Prince: the other partie to him or them that will sue for the same, in any of the fourt Courts of the Statuaries, by bill, plaint,

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plaint, or information, in which suite no esjoyne, protection, or wager of law, to be allowed to the Defendant.

And if the partie so convicted, (as aforesaid) be not able to pay and satisfie the said penaltie, that then he to be committed to the prison of Lidsord, and there to haue the imprisonment of one Moneth, without Baile, or mainprise.

It is also enacted and ordained, that all bargaines, sales, and alienations, hereafter to be made, of any Tinne-worke or Tinne-worke, or part of any Tinne-worke or Tinne-worke, by any person or persons, being at the time of the said bargaine, sale, or alienation, under, and not of the full age of xxi. yeare, shall be utterly void, and of no validtie in the law: any act of Parliament of the Statmarie, or other customs, or usage, heretofore had, made, or used, to the contrary hereof, in any wise notwithstanding.

An Acte touching such as shall steale any blacke Tinne.

But affirmed, and enacted, from henceforth, that if any person, or persons, with force or otherwise, take away any blacke Tinne, to the value of v. s. or above, brought or gathered, or to bee brought or gathered, in any Tinne-worke, or Tinne-worke, wheresoever it be founde, from the Owner or Owners, or other Occupier, or Occupiers of the same Tinne-worke, or Tinne-worke, or of any part of the same Tinne-worke or Tinne-worke, whereso the same Tinne is, or shall happen to be brought, or gathered, or which have bee, or hereafter shall beare, the costes and charges, for the gathering and working of the same Tinne: That then every persone, so taking away any such Tinne, shall forfeit forty pounds, of good and lawfull money of England, wherof the one halfe to be to our soueraigne Lady the Quenes highnesse (having no Prince, and when God shall send us a Prince, then to the lord Prince) and the other halfe to the parge grieved, by taking away of the same Tinne, to be recovered by action of debt, in any of the soure Statmarie Courts of Devon, within the jurisdiction of which Court, the same Plaintiff or Defendant, shall then inhabit, in which case, no esjoyne, protection, or wager of law, shall be admitted for the defendant.

Provided alwaies, that an attachment of any such Tinne, may be made, and the same to be deliuered, upon good securities to be found, in such maner and forme, as is expellled, in a Statute made, at the great Court holden at Crokerbury, the xxi. day of September, in the viii. and xxvii. yeare of the raigne of Henry the eight, of most famous memorie, late King of England, Father to our soueraigne Lady, the Quenes Maiestie that now is: And that all the residue of the same Statute, made in the saide yeare, touching, or concerning the taking away of Tin, be from henceforth utterly made void, and of none effect.

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An Act, that no Juries shall proceede at any Law Courts, but for the Queene: And for appointing of Courts, &c.



Whereas before the time of the Statutes, made at the great Court of Crockerenor, in the first yere of Ed. the first, of most worthy memory, late King of England, there were no Juries, allowed to be sworne in any of the Law Courts, betwene parties, vpon any Actions, because the same shoulde hinder the Inquiry to be then made by the Grand Jury for the king: whithens which time, by reason of certaine Statutes, then, and there made, there haue beeene divers Juries sworne, at Law dayes, betwene parties, vpon suites depending, to the delay of such proceedings, as then ought to haue beeene had for the Queenes Dignesse: Be it therefore enacted, and provided, that no manner of Juries, Inquests, or Taxations, procede at, or in any of the said Law dayes, in any of the fourt Stannarie Courts, but for the Queenes Maiestie: onely, and in consideration thereof, and for the more spedie triall of suites in the Law Courts.

Be it likewise enacted and ordained, that twelve Courts, of every of the said fourt severall Stannarie Courts or iuridictions, shall and may be yearly holden, ouer and besides, the said Law dayes, and all process, trials, and other ordinary proceedings, in every of the said twelve Courtes, to be of effect, and haue like force in law to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as in any Court of the Stannarie, heretofore hath bin used: and also that all trialls and enquiries, by Juries, enquests, or Taxations, and all manner of process, touching the same trialls, not being for the Queenes Maiestie onely, which shoulde, or ought to haue proceeded at the same Law day, shal proceede at the next Court, then following, to be holden within the same iurisdiction, where the said trialls shoulde or ought to haue bin, and to be then, of like force and substance in law to all intents and purposes, as if the same had before passed, at any of the said Law dayes: And that no Tyme Court shall be kept in any of the fourt Stannarie Courts, but by adiournement, or sommons of th dayes at the least.

Whereas vpon divers penall Statutes of the Stannarie, the Queenes Maiestie, her heires, and successours, hauing no Prince, and when God shall send vs a Prince, the Lord Prince, is to be entituled, to the one halfe of the penaltie,

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nalties, and penalties, and the partie that shall sue, to the other halfe, if the offence be found by verdict of twelve men, at the suite of the partie: the which verdict cannot be had at the suite of the parties, unlesse the Defendant of his side in like maner will be content to ioyne in issue for the triall thereof, which he so refusing to doe, the saide Statutes will then serue to small purpose, for so being at the choice of the Defendant, whether he will so haue it tried or no, then and in such case, no punishment can or will ensue thereby. For remedie whereof: Be it established and enacted, that every such paine, penaltie, or forfeiture, limited to be due, by vertue of the saide penall Statutes, shall forthwith be due, by, and vpon any such offence committed, or to be committed, agaist the effect, intent, and true meaning of the said Statutes, as if the said clause or wordes, vnderlies (if the offence be found by verdict of twelve men, at the suite of the partie) had bene omitted or not contained within the said Statutes, and the same penalty, paine, or forfeiture, to be fined for, by action of debt in any of the fourt Stannarie courts, whereas the party Plaintiff, or Defendant, doth or shall inhabite or dwel in which Actions, no excuse, protection, or wager of law, to be allowed for the Defendant.

Be it also affirmed and enacted, that vpon every indictment or inquisition, found for, our soueraigne Lady the Queene, her heires, or successours, or for the Lord Prince, when God shall send vs a Prince, in any of the fourt Stannarie courts, the partie against whom any such indictment, or presentment shall be found, shalbe admitted, and allowed to trauey the same, within the iurisdiction of the same court, where such presentment shal happen to be made, by reason putting in sufficient sureties, according to equitie, to follow the triall of the same withall.

An Act against such as shall colourably depart with their Tinne-works, and limiting who shall be accompted as Tinner.

Whereas divers persons, have been contented and used meane to gaine by Tinne-woorkes, and by the priviledges of the Stannarie, and yet notwithstanding, have practised shilles to be disburdened of all contribution, and other charges, as Tinner, for the service of the Queens Maiestie, and towradres the lawfull maintenance of the same Stannarie, as heretofore hath bene accustomed, to the utter decay of the labourers in the same Tinne-works, upon whom great charge,



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by reason of shifles, is laide. Be it therefore established and enacted, that from henceforth all and every person and persons, that is, or shall become Gardian to any infant, within the age of vii. yeares, or shall have the rule or disposition of any of his Tinne-woakes, or of any part thercol, or shall receive, take, or have anie maner of game, profit, or commoditie of any such Tinne-woake, or Tinne-woakes, or any part thereof, shall be deemeed and taken in charge and contribution amongst Tinneres, as a Tinner, so, and during the time, he so hath, or holdeth the same, in like case as such infant himself, being of full age, should, might, or ought to do, having the same, in his owne hand and manu-rance. And that all Farmers and Spalliers of Tinne-woakes, buyers of black Tinne, and blowers of Tinne, by doing the charges of, or for, the same, they and every of them, shall be reputed, and taken as Tinneres, to al intents, constructions, and purposes. And also that al matters, concerning Tin or Tinne-woakes, or therof the first contract, or original cause, directly or indirectly, hath or shall arise or grow, by reason of Tin, or Tin-woakes, by any maner of means shall be maintainable in the Tinne Courts, and the partie defendant compellable to answeare to the same, in such sort as if he were directly a Tinner.

Be it also further enacted, established, and provided, that all maner of persons being Tinneres, or Spalliers, within the countie of Devon, whose names are or shall be recorded in the register book, for that purpose especially apointed, and provided (according to the true meaning, and intent of the order, taken and set downe in the Statute for registering of Tinneres, and the reformation of the disorders of processe of Merchis, against such as be no Tinneres) shall be quit, and free, from all Tollage, Toll, Stallage, Aide, and all other maner of Customes, for their owne proper goods, in all Townes, Portes, Faires, and Markets, within the Countie of Devon: unlesse it be for the Queens high-nelle great Custome.

An Act for the true and orderly pitching and bounding of Tinne-woakes.



Here at the great Court or Parliament, holden at Crockerentore, the eight and twentie day of September, in the ninth yeare of the reigne of our soueraigne Lady the Queens Maiestie that now is: One Statute was then and there made and ordeined, for thanoyding of the abundance of waters out of Tinne-woakes, which were not then, nor by any means before that time, able to be wrought: and one other Statute was then and there made, for the repeale of certayne Statutes, concerning pitches and releases. And thereupon one other Statute was also made,

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for the renuyng of bonds, & pitches of Linne-worke, & in default thereof, the tenth part to be gained, from thold Owners, by other mens pitches. And besides the said severall Statutes, it was also then and there enacted, ordyned, and established: That all other Actes, and Statutes, before that time made, and at that great Court, or Parliament, or before, not adnihilated, or made void, by especiall wordes: should from thenceforth, stande, remaine, and be in their full force, and strength, as in the same severall Statutes more fully, and at large is contained, and expressed: And for that the said severall Statutes were never imprinted, because of some ambiguitie and doubt concerned (as is well knowne) touching the validitie, and force of the same Statutes: For avoyding of which scruple and doubt, Be it now therefore enacted, ordyned, and established, that all and every of the said summe Statutes, (so that the same, and every of them, be enrolled; and do remaine among other recordes, of the Statutarie Courtes of Devon) shall from henceforth stande, remayne, and be, in as full force, strength, and effect, to all intentes, and purposes, as if the same Actes, and Statutes had beene heretofore, (or at this present were) imprinted, together with these now published, and set forth, (excepted, and alwaies for repaire, the said Statutes, then, and there made, concerning the renuyng, and pitching of Linne-worke, which shall be deemed, and reputed, to stande, in force no longer, then vntill the day of this present great Court, or Parliament. And that from henceforth, and not before, the said Statute, concerning renuyng, and pitching of Linne-worke, shall be frustrate, and utterly made void, to all intentes, and purposes.)

And be it now further enacted, and established, that from henceforth, all Tinneres, shall keepe their Linne-worke, as hereafter followeth, and is declared: That is to say, yearly betweene the feast of Saint Peter ad Vincula last past, and the feast of Saint Michael the Archangell, now next following, and so hereafter yearly, betweene the foresaid two feastes, to make, or renue, or cause to be made, or renued, their head-weare, side bondes, water leate, and tayls, of every Linne-worke, that now is, or hereafter shall be wrought: and if there be any Linne-worke, or Linne-worke, that hereafter be not kept, or renued, according to this Acte, (as is before rehearsed,) it shall be lawfull for every man, to pitch them as worke alaye: So that the said Pitcher which shall firstime to pitch any such Linne-worke, or Linne-worke, for default of renuyng of them (as is aboue said,) doe pitch the said Linne-worke, or Linne-worke, before the feast of All Saintes next following, after the said feast of Saint Michael, and also giv the first warning, to any of the Owners of every such Linne-worke so pitched, before the said feast of All Saintes, in the presence of bower, or five Tinneres: and at the time of the said warning, the said Pitcher shal take the said Owner, or Owners (that he so warneth of the said pitch of his said Linne-worke, or Linne-worke,) by the arme, shewing and declaring to him with a lvide woorke, that he may heare him, sheweinge of his pitch, and the day, when he pitched the said Linne-worke, or Linne-worke: And also the said pitcher, at the Linne Court, (within the tyme, dictiōn wherof such Linne-worke lyeth) next to be holden, after the said warning gauen, to the said Owner, or Owners, at the beginning of the said

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said Tinne Court, in his owne proper person, shall cause the Steward of the same Court for the time being, or his deputie, to enter into his booke, that shall remaine in the same Court, at all tymes of Record, the maner of his pitch, that is to say: his owne name, and the name of the Owner that ys so warned, and the day and place, when, and where he gave him such warning: and therevpon the said Steward, or his deputie, for the time being, in the same open Court, (and in the three other Tinne Courts, whereas the said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes, so pitched, lyeth not,) when the Steward, or his Deputie, shall thinke most people to be present, shall make Proclamation of the said pitch, and warning of the said olde Owner, or Owners, of the said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes, or else the said pitch to be boide, and of none effect, taking of the said Pitcher, for his labour, eight pence: And after the said pitch, warning, and entring accomplished, and Proclamation thereto made, (as is aforesaid) in the same Tinne Court, whereas the said Tinne-worke so pitched lyeth: that then all and every olde Owner, or Owners of the said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes, so pitched, shall have libertie, by the space of sower Tinne Courtes, there to be holden, next after the said entring, and first Proclamation, in the said Tinne court made, when the said old Owner, or Owners, or any of them, or their keeper, or keepers, or any other man, to his, or their use, at any of the said sower Courts, will by his othe (by the Steward, or his Deputie, to be charges,) proove, his or their said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes, truly kept, and renewed, according to this Act, in the same open Court, whereas the said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes so pitched lyeth, and the said proove, so made, to be entred immediatly, under the said pitch, by the Steward, or his Deputie, taking therfore, of the said old Owner, or Owners, keeper, or keepers, sower pence onely, and no more. And if the said Steward doe refuse, to receive the proove, according to the olde ancient Custome, and usage, then the said newe pitch to be boide. And if the said old Owner, or Owners, or their keeper, or keepers, at one of the sower Tinne Courtes, doe not proove his, or their said Tinne-worke, or Tinne-Workes, kept according to this Act, (as is aforesaid,) that then the said Pitcher, that giueth the first warning, and both enter the same, to have, and to enjoy all the said Tinne-worke, so by him pitched, to him, and to his heires for ever, according to the Custome of the Stannarie of Devonshire.

And be it further enacted, that one Booke of Record of all pitches, that hereafter shall be made of Tinne-Workes, shall be kept in a Chest, or Coffer, with in the Jurisdiction of the same Court, wheresuch Tinne-Workes ly, or shall ly, in such convenient place, as eyght discrete Timmers of the same Court, shall appoint, to have thare lockes, and keyes, wheresof the Steward of the Stannarie, for the time being, to have and keepe one keye, and two substaunciall Timmers, to be every year by the great Enquest, at the law Court, in every of the Stannarie Courtes, next before the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangell, thereto elected, shall have, and keepe, every of them one keye, and to be attendant to the same, when neede shall require.

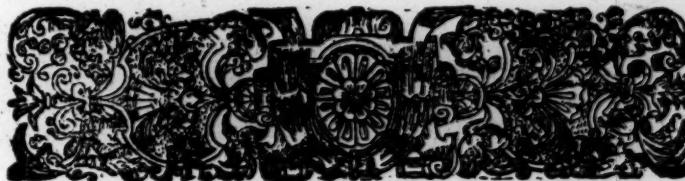
An Act

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An Act whereby the Lord Warden of the
Stannarie, is authorised to reforme the wantes
and imperfekteions, of the Statutes of
the Stannarie.



¶ The correction and amendment, of divers
and sundry Statutes of the Stannarie, hereto-
fore made, through the misprinting whereof,
great doubt, and ambiguitie dayly ariseth, tow-
ching the iust exposition, and true understand-
ing of the said Statutes: Be it therefore enacted,
and ordyned, by the authuritie of this great
Court, or Parliament, that it shall, and may
be lawfull, to and for, the Right Honorable
the Lord Warden of the Stannarie, for the
time being, or to any learned Counsel by him
to be appointed for that purpose, to correct,
amend, and reduce all and every the same Actes, and Statutes, into forme and
order, according to the perfect sence, and true meaning of the said Statutes,
and the intent of the makers thereof: and such correction, or amendment, to
be so had or made, before the imprinting of these Statutes, to the end they
may be all soyned and set together, into one whole booke.



adhesions

17. *Leptobius* V. *bin* *leptobius* *BA* *BA* *BA*
18. *Leptobius* V. *bin* *leptobius* *BA* *BA* *BA*
19. *Leptobius* V. *bin* *leptobius* *BA* *BA* *BA*
20. *Leptobius* V. *bin* *leptobius* *BA* *BA* *BA*



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1600.

 Deuon. The great Court or Parliament of our Soueraigne Lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God, Queene of England, Fraunce, and Ireland, Defendor of the Faith, &c. of her Highnesse Dutchie of Cornewall, holden at Crockenrorre in the said Countie of Deuon, before the Honourable Sir Walter Ralegh Knight, Lorde Wardeyn of her Maiesties Stannaries, in the counties of Deuon, and Cornewall, Lieutenant generall of the said County of Cornewall, Captaine of her Highnesse Guarde, Gouernour of the Isle of Iersey, &c. The xxvii. day of October, in the yeere of ber Maiesties most happy Raigne, the two and fortieith: and in the yeere of our Lord God, one thousand and sixe hundred.

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*At which day and place, according to the auncient
Order and Custome, appeared foure and twentie
Iurates of euery the seuerall Courts of the Stan-
narie of Deuon.*

The names of the Iurates.

XXIIII. Iurates in the Stannarie Court
of Chaggesford.

John Whiddon Esquier.	Robert Conaut gent.
Francis Whiddon Esquier.	William Barons.
Laurence Whiddon gent.	Oliuer Clieff.
Alexander Knapman gent.	William Nofworthie.
William Battishill gent.	John Trend.
John Newcombe gent.	John Sloman.
Marcks Weeks gent.	Gregorie Trend.
John Alford gent.	John Coming.
Richard Wood gent.	William Hernaman.
John Hiltman gent.	Henry Logis.
Richard Milford gent.	Edward Mardon.
William Knapman gent.	Andrew Battishill.

XXIIII. Iurates in the Stannarie Court
of Ashberton.

Arthur Vowell esquier.	John Noseworthie.
Adrian Gilbert esquier.	Iohn Foxworthie.
Peter Brendon gent.	Iohn Hext.
Walter Furslaid gent.	George Cruse.
Richard Langworthie gent.	William Collamore.
Fraunces Foord gent.	Andrew Woodley.
Thomas Prideaux gent.	Peter Parre.
John Cholwill gent.	Hugh Leer.
William Foster of Brent gent.	Hugh Pynsent.
John Hele gent.	Thomas Wootten.
John Stookie.	William Woodley.
Thomas Tony.	Siluester Whitewhay.

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XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Plimpton.

Thomas Hele esquier.	John Baldwin alias Wolcombe gent.
Henry Coppleston esquier.	Nicholas Bickford gent.
Walter Hele of Wollaton esquier.	John Robins of Plimpton gent.
Thomas Elford gent.	James Rich.
Edward Fortescue gent.	Thomas Baker.
John Hele of Hele gent.	John Mayne.
Thomas Waring gent.	Thomas Wyet.
Walter Elford gent.	John Awton.
James Martin gent.	Andrew Foster.
Richard Hele gent.	John Androw.
Digory Prust gent.	John Lauers.
William Stockman gent.	John Reepe.

XXIIII. Jurates in the Stannarie Court of Tawistocke.

William Crymes esquier.	William Poynter alias Kedlew gent.
Robert Moore gent.	William Reddacief gent.
Richard Burnbury gent.	Edward Skirret gent.
Roger Lanxford gent.	Walter Burges gent.
Peter Ebsworthy gent.	John Burnaford gent.
William Lanxford gent.	Richard Atwill gent.
John Glanvile of Tawistocke gent.	Mathew Edgecombe gent.
Henry Coringdon gent.	Richard Tapson.
Roger Hatherley gent.	John Rowe of Cholwill.
Nicholas Rowe gent.	Anthony Sleeman.
Richard Lanxford gent.	Thomas VVilly.
Peter Burges gent.	Robert Foot.

Whiche Jurates being (according to the auncient custome of the sayde
Stannaries) chosen and sworne, by the whole consent of all the
Tynners in the sayde County of Devon, do enact, affirme, ordayne, and esta-
blish these Statutes and Lawes following.

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¶ An Act for the confirming of the auncient
Laws and Statutes of the Stannaries,
in the Countie of Deuon.



It is, be it enacted and established, by
the authoritie of this great Court of
Parliament, that al Lawes and Sta-
tutes of the Stannaries of the Coun-
ties of Deuon, now remayning in
force, and not in the same codet revo-
ked and made voide, shall stand
and be in their full force and effect, to
all intents.

¶ An Act against the intailing of
Tinne-wo^rke^s.



¶ As much as the lawes and customes of the Stannaries of
the Countie of Deuon, do not allow of any Recovery to be
suffered, or fine to be levied of any Tinne-wo^rke, either to
barre, or cut off any estate in taile therof limited, by means
whereof such persons, to whom gistes in taile were made,
(albeit themselves be vnable to set the same in wo^rke) cannot
(by any godd assurance) conuay a Tinne-wo^rke so intailed unto any other
(whose abilitie better serueth;) whereby divers Tinne-wo^rkes lie un wrought,
and sundry other inconveniences do ensue: Be it therefore enacted, by the Au-
thoritie of this great Court of Parliament, That al deuises, grants, and li-
mitations, hereafter to be made in taile of any Tinne-wo^rke, or part of any
Tinne-wo^rke, lying within the said Countie of Deuon, shall be utterly voide
to all intents and purposes, whatsoever.

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An Act for the establishing of the Titles of Tanners to their Tin-works.



Whereas it is needfull & convenient, that such persons as do now stand seised of any Tinne-works, or part of any Tinne-works within the said County of Devon, for the space hereafter limited, shall stand assured of their titles in & to the same, to the intent that thereby they may be the better incouraged to put the same in worke. Be it therefore enacted, and established, by the authority of this great Court of Parliament, that if any persons, which now at the time of the holding of the said great Court, are peaceably seised in & of any Tinne-works, or part of any Tinne-works, within the County of Devon, either by working or taking the profits thereof, or by renewing or keping it to his or their uses, and shall so continue seised by the space of two yers next ensuing, without any actual entrie and claime to be made therin and therobinto, by any person or persons, having any lawfull right to title therin, within the said two yers: which actual entrie and claime, the Justicemarke or his Deputy for the time being, upon request to be made by the sun clappmose, shall enter, or cause to be entered, into a booke which shall be kept a record, for the same purpose in each of the Stannaries courtes of the said countie. At the end and purpole, that the same actual entrie and claime, may remaine of record, in the same court, within the jurisdiction whereof the said Tinne-worke or part of such Tinne-worke shall happen to lie: and the same, also by the Justicemarke, or his Deputy then and there proclaimed: and likewise proclaimed in each of the other three courtes of the Stannaries of the said countie of Devon then next to be holden, that to all intents, purposes, and constitutions whatsoeuer, he shalldred, dermed, & reputed to stande & be lawfull seised, in so sumple for ever, according to the custome of the Stannaries of the same countie, seaving aliaunce to all persons impursoned, women covert, infantes within the age of one and twentie yers, mad men, lunatike persons, and persons now being, or hereafter to be beyond the sea for any lawfull cause, and to every of their heires, al their right and title: so as they, or their heires, do make their entrie and claimes to the said Tinne-works or part thereof, and doe require the same to be recorded in maner and forme aforesaid, within the space of two yers next after the cause of such their impedimentes removed: And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Steward of the Court for the time being, shall for the entrie of record of al such Tinne-works, and part of Tinne-works, as shall be presented by any one owner of them, to the Steward or his Deputy, at one time to be entred: and for al the proclamations to be made therevpon, receive and take two pence only, and no more, and for the copie of every entry of al such Tinne-works, and parts of Tinne-works, two pence, and no more: and also, that if the said Steward or his Deputy (being required to make any such entrie) neglect or shall refuse so to doe:

2 do omit to make such proclamations as are before mentioned. Then the said Steward (upon sufficient proof therof to be made before the Lord War- den or Underwarden to the time being) shal pay vnto the party grieved, such reasonable costes and damages for his said offence, as by the said Lord War- den or Underwarden (bearing and allowing of the same proufe) shalbe ordered and awarded to be payd: and upon such proufe made, the title and interest of the said claymors, and of his heires, shal be saued to him and them by this act, any thing herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

**53 An Act to reforme abuses in pitching of
Tyme-workes, as Tyme-workes alay,
albeit they haue bin newed by
the Owners.**

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Persons blisters Elthine Woode have heretofore bin pitched,

whereas, by reason of having or having received or by the owner
of, or holder, or by the keeper or keepers of them, according
to the laws of the Plantaries, whereby the said lawfull
summons have been and may be hereafter given to make
good in court of the lawfull remedy of the said Lynne-
wooke or Lynne-wookes, to their great vexation, costs, and charges: And
to prevent all such damage being done to the Plaintiff, whether his
lawfull master's might be among them, within the County of Lancashire in the
said Plantary courts, against such unusual pitchers or pitchers of the said
Lynne-wooke or Lynne-wookes: It is by authority of this present great
court of parliament enacted, That if any person or persons doe hereafter make
any Lynne-wooke, which was before renewed according to the laws of the
Plantaries, then after such time as the said old master or masters shall have
made good in court of such renewing of the said Lynne-wooke, according to the
said laws of the said Plantary, and may be lawfull to him for the old master or masters of
such Lynne-wooke or Lynne-wookes (acting so wronged) either to have his
or their right of several action or actions of trespass (as there choise) in the
Plantary court, where such Lynne-wooke is held, against him, or any of all of the
said pitchers or pitchers, by entering into, and pricing of the said Lynne-
wooke or Lynne-wookes, so lawfully before renewed, in which action or am-
ongs the plaintiffoe or plaintiffoes that recover against the said defendant or de-
fendants, his and their costs and damages, according to the wrong which there
by they have received.

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**An Act that known Owners may set a Fine
work in works, if his part owners be unknowne,
and will make no claime, and for the new.**

Experiments, however, indicate that the *pitching of old Tom* - a type of *pitching* in which the ball is pitched with a high, flat, side, or underhand motion - is more effective than *overhand* or *underhand* pitching.



¶ Item divers persons have beene of long time
settled, and may herreafter be, lessees, or one or
more parties of Linne-wothes, within the
territorie of Denme; and do not no man knowe
their parties owners dweld in the same, and do
therefore feare to have any cause of chal-
lenges in the same workes, so that by means therof
the Spaines and workes of Linne are much
burdened; her spallations and losses greatly im-
paired; and the common wealth of this country
not a little diminished; for to these and reme-
dies of the said lessees and inuitees there
Item and enacted by the authority of this great countrey Parliament, that
if any such knowne owner or owners, do make his or their publike claims or
demands of their parties expeditors in any Linne-woke or Linne-wokes at
any time or times hereafter in the same Court, within the jurisdiction wherof
the said Linne-woke or Linne-wokes lay, and so therre likewise intolome
the same wherein by afterward in the same Court, that he hath an intent and
purpose to set the same in workes; to wit that the reliefs of the said Owners of
the said Linne-woke or Linne-wokes are unpayable, and therfore he or
they do rest doubtfull thereto be; and so then raise the same claimes in demand
to be made of recorde and booke, for that purpose to be appointed, and kept by
the officers of the same court, or his Deputy, and so likewise make the said
information to be proclamed in the same court, and in the market of Stratfor-
d contrary to the said County of Denme that next to be holden; And so likewise
make and before the Justices of the Peace, that he hath intent to who
be his part-owners of the said wothe, or if the other owner or owners of a
any party or parts of the same Linne-woke or Linne-wokes, do not come and
make his or their aduise to be a party or ones of the saids with his or them in
the said Linne-woke by Linne-woke, and enter the same of recorde
with four proclamations, as a just and true instrument (within the jurisdiction
wherof the same Linne-woke or Linne-wokes shal happen, so to ite)
within one yere next ensuing the last of the fourre proclamations: the person
or persons which first made claime aforesaid, shall haue the absolute ex-
emptiō of such parts of the said Linne-woke or Linne-wokes, whereunto no

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such clayme shall be made: saving notwithstanding to all persons impynsoned, women couert, infants within the age of one and twentie yeres, mad men, lunaticke persons, and persons now being, or hereafter to be beyond the seas, for any lawfull cause, and to every of their heyses, al their right and title: so as they or their heyses do make their entries and claiynes to the said Timme-worke or parts therof, and do require the same to be restored in maner and forme aforesaid, within the space of two yers next after the cause of such their impyndiments remoued.

And be it further enacted, that the ~~Wtward~~ shall take for the entring of every such claime and proclamation therepon as aforesaid, two pence, and no more, and two pence for the copie thereof, and no more.

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An Act for the incouraging of Tinners, to set their Tinneworkes on worke.



Whereas divers Tin-workes within the countie of Deuon, haue (for a long time) laine bin-
wrought, by reason that some of the part-ow-
ners of the same, will not bear their propo-
tionable charge in workeing of them accord-
ing to their partes, neither will let the same
to others for any reasonable farme. And
whereas also some part-owners of certaine
Tinne-workes within the same county, haue
(at their great costes and charges) sette lounes
such Tinne-worke in worke, and haue af-
terwardes, haue grieuously oppesled, and

wonged by their other Parteners, who haue refusid to contribute in
charge towardes the first workeing of the same, and yet haue afterwardes
intruded themselves into the said worke, after such time as the same Tinne-
worke or Tinne-workes, are become profitable to the workers thereof. Be it
therefore established and enacted, that if any Part-owner, or Owners of any
Tinne-worke within the said countie of Deuon, shall intend to put the same
in worke, and of his saide intent and purpose, do gine notice to the said other
Owner or Owners, or to his or their Bagliffes, or keepers of the same Tin-
worke, requesting him or them, to ioyne with them in the charge of the worke-
ing thereof: then if the said Part-owner or Owners shal refuse, or neglect, to
ioyne in the same charge and worke, and do not let the same to farme to such
Part owner or Owners, or to some other, which shal and will (*bona fide*) ioyne
in working of the same within the space of thre moneths next after the mak-
ing of such request, and after the same worke shall haue bin continuued in
working by the space of twenty days, Then, and from thenceforth, it shal and
may be lawfull to such Part-owner or Owners, as haue made such request, to
worke so much of the said Tin-work, as no other Part-owner or Owners so
warned & requested shal worke: and then, and in such case, such Part-owner
or Owners, as shal so refuse, or neglect, and not set to farme: shal (for the space
of seauen yeares onely, next after the same Tinne-worke shall be so put in
worke) haue the tenth part only of the Tinne arising upon his or their partes
of the same Tinne-worke, after the charge of the same shall be fully deducted
to the workers therof, by the discretion of the Steward, or his deputie in court,
upon proue before him there made, any law or custome of the Stannarie to the
contrarie, in any wise notwithstanding. Provided alwayes, that if al, or any of
the said Part-owner or Owners, (giving and making such notice & request)
doe neglect to keape the same Tinne-worke in worke, by the space of sixe mo-
neths next after such request made, then the warning and request of such part-
owner or owners as shall so neglect to put the same in worke, shal be pitterly
void, any thing herein contained to the contrarie, in any wise notwithstanding.
This act to continue vntill the beginning of the next parliament, to be
holden for the Stannaries, within the said countie of Deuon.

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An Act for the Trialls of Rights to Tinne-
workes in the Stannaries, and for Appeals
to be made afterwardes.



Whereas by the auncient Lawes and Customes of the Stannaries, the Rights and Titles of Tinne-woakes, which have happened to be in variance betwixt party and partie, have bene vbiually first tried by way of Action, and verdict of twelue men in that Court of the Stannarie (within the Jurisdiction whereof, the said Tinne-woake or Tinne-woakes do lie) which court hath heretofore bene impugned.

Be it therefore enacted and affirmed, by the authority of this present great Court or Parliament, that all triallles, for, or concerning the rights, interestes, and titles of any Tinne-woake, or parts of any Tinne-woake, shall from henceforth be first tried before the Vice-Warden or the Steward of the Stannarie (soe the time being) in that Court of the saide Stannaries (within the Jurisdiction whereof the said Tinne-woake, or partes thereof in variance shall happen to lie) by Action, and the verdict of twelue men. And if either the parties, Plaintiff or Defendant, doe finde themselves grieved by meane of the same triall, then it shall be lawfull to any for the partie grieved, to complayne thereof to the Steward, by Petition in writing: And if the Steward sayle to doe him or them Justice, then it shall be lawfull for him or them to appeal further, according to the Statute made for Appeals in the second yeare of King Henry the eight. And whosoever shall doe contrary to this Act, shall forfeit the summe of twenty pounds, the one halfe to the Daunce, her heires, and successors, having no Prince, and when God shall send us a Lord Prince, then to the Lord Prince: And the other halfe to the partie grieved, to be levied by fieri facias, according to the Lawes and customes of the Stannaries, in that behalfe used.

An Acte to preserue the Jurisdiction
of the Stannaries.

Whereas by the Charter of the Stannary, no Tinner is to be impleaded, precepted, or arrested to appeare before any of her Majesties Justices or Officers whatsoever, for any cause or matter whatsoever, arising or growing in the saide Stannaries (except land, life, and mayhem:) And whereas also by the same Charter, the Lord Warden of the Stannaries and his deputies are to holde all pleas whatsoever (except as aforesaid) arising and growing betwixne the Tinneres aforesaid: and also betwixne the Tinneres, and all forreiners, for all trespasses

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frespasses, & cōtracts whatsoeuer, made between them, and arising, & growing in the said Stannaries. And wheras also by the laws of the Stannarie, euery person and persons that is, or are wronged, within the said Stannaries, ought first to complaine thereof, to the Steward of the Stannarie: And if he will not do Justice, then to the Underwarden: And if the Underwarden will not doe Justice, then to the Lord warden: and if the Lord warden will not do justice, then to the Princes counsell: And that heretofore the Lordes of the Starre chamber, and Judges of the Kings bench, haue alowd such the said liberties to be used and executed by the Lord warden, and haue accordingly dismissed sundry such causes (as is aforesaid,) out of the said courts of Starre chamber, and Kings bench, to be considered of, & determined by the said Lord warden: And that her Maiesie of her gaciong fauour (for the maintenance of the soe said libertie) hath lately also by her especiall letters directed to her Highnesse Justices of assise of the counties of Devon and Cornewall, required them to make open publication in the Assises in the said counties, that no Justice whatsoeuer (within the said counties) should intermeddle with any of the said Stannarie liberties. Notwithstanding (now of late) divers and sundry malitious and troublesome perlons, (in contempt of the said charter, her Maiesies said letters, and the Stannarie lawes and liberties) haue precepted, impleaded, and arrested divers persons, for divers causes arising and depending in the said Stannaries, and there determinable. For remedy whereof, Be it affirmed and enacted, that if any person or persons, from henceforth, do precept, impleade, or arrest, any person or persons whatsoeuer, for any cause of matter, originally arising, growing, or depending in the said Stannaries, and there determinable, other then before the Steward, Underwarden, Lord warden, or Princes counsell, according to the lawes and customes of the Stannaries, he shal incurre, forfaict, and fall into the penaltie of ten pounds of lawfull money, whereof thone moitie to his to our leueraigne Lady the Quenes Maiesie that now is, her heyyes and successors, hauing no Prince: And when God shal send vs a Prince, then to the Lord Prince: And thother moitie thereof, to him, or them that shall be thereby agreed, to be levied in such maner and forme, as other penall forfeitures are, or haue bene vsed heretofore to be recovered or levied in the said Stannaries.

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**An Act for the Reformation of Pro-
cesses of the Stannarie
Courts.**

Pisamuch as divers & sundry persons, hane (of late) made great complaints, of sundry abuses and misdeemeanors, done, and committed by the Bayliffes and other officers of the Stannarie, in the filling and executing of Blanke Proceses, vnto them deliuered. Be it ordered and enacted, that from henceforth, no maner of Proces shalbe granted or awarded out of any court of the said Stannarie, but such ouely, as shalbe deliuered by the Steward therof, or by his Deputy, and that every name whiche shall be inserted thereon, shall be set downe before the delivery of the same Proces by the said Steward, or his Deputy, (therewhile especially appointed, and made knowne by publication in the same court where he is appointed to be Deputy:) And that every such Proces be henceforth sealed, with a Seale to be made, and devised by the Lord Warden of the Stannarie, and by him to be disposed of, and subscribed with the proper hand of the saide Steward: so, every whiche Seale, the keeper of the said Seale for the time being, shall hane and receave two pence only, and no more. And the Bayliffe whiche serueth any Proces, granted forth in any other sort, shall forfaine for every such offence, twentie shillinges, and sustaine such further punishment, as to the Lord Warden, or to his Underwarden, or Steward, vpon complaint and proue thereof made, shall be thought fit: And the said penaltie of twentie shillings, to be to the partie which shal be arrested by colour of any such proce: the same to be levied by *Fieri facias*, according to the lawes of the Stannarie, in that behalfe used and accustomed.

**An Act to dispense with the personal appear-
ance of such as are arrested with a Capias,
commonly called, a Nichil.**



Whereas the custome of the Stannarie now is, and hath been, That if any person or persons, be arrested by vertue of a Capias, otherwise called, a Nichil, and doe not appeare in proper person at the next Tyme court, out of which the same Processe did so issue, that then the partie so arrested, and not appearing, shall forthwith be condemned: And whereas divers persons are oftentimes enforced, by reason of such arrests, personally to come into foraine liberties, where they are newly arrested, some

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sometimes at the suite of the Plaintiff, and sometimes at the suite of others, to the great slander of the proceedings of the Stannarie Courts. For reme-
dy whereof, be it enacted and confirmed, by the authoritie of this great Court
or Parliament, That if any person or persons shall happen hereafter to bee
arrested, by vertue of a Capias, otherwise called a Nichil, issuing out of any
of the Stannarie Courtes (albeit he do not appeare in person, but by an
Attourney at the Court next holden after the same arrest:) Then, if his said
Attourney doe then and there, put in sufficient suretie, to answere the partie so
arrested, or to satisfie the Plaintiff (if he shall happen afterwards to bee
condemned,) the partie arrested, and not appearing in proper person, as
aforesayde, shall not be condemned for default of such personal appearance:
But if he appear not, nor his Attourney doe put in sufficient suretie, as afores-
ayde: then, for such default of his personal appearance, he shalbe condem-
ned, as in former tunes it hath bee[n] vsed.

An Acte against such, as vnder the colour of being Tinneres, defraud her Mai- stie of their seruice.


Whereas divers and sundry persons haue of late pro-
cured, and wil hereafter (no doubt, if it be not spe-
cibly prevented) procure vnto themselues, an estate,
of, and in some Tinnerworke, or parte of some Tinner-
worke, which they worke not themselues, nor do
contribute to the charge of any other person or per-
sons, which doe cause them to be wrought: but do in-
tend and purpose thereby, craftily, and most vndue-
tifully, both to withdraw themselves from their per-
sonall seruice of her Maiestie in her warres: And also to annoyde all contribu-
tions towrdes such necessary and convenient baxes and charges, as for the
better preservation and enlargement of the peace and prosperitie of her Maies-
ties countries and dominions, are imposed vpon sovrainers, without the
pruifie, or liking, of such, as indeede are Tinneres, and be pruiledged by the
auncient Lawes and Customes of her Maiesties Stannaries of this her count-
ie of Denon.

To the intent and purpose, that the same craftie abuse and practise may
not hereafter be practised by such pruileges: Be it in this Court, or Parliament
established and enacted, That no maner of person whatsoeuer, which
from henceforth, and before the end of the next Parliament, for the Tinner
to be holden within the Countie of Denon, shall procure vnto himselfe anie
manner of estate, or estates in any Tinnerworke, or in any parte of a Tinner-
worke, shalbe capable of such Liberties, Immunitiess, and pruileges, as
are due vnto a lawfull Tinner, vntill such time as such person, so procuring
the same, hath (before the Underwarden, or Steward of the Stannaries
for the tyme being) taken a corporall oth, that he hath not procured to himself
the same estate, with intent, thereby to defraud her Highnesse, either of his
corporall seruice, or of any other charge or contribution whatsoeuer.

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An Act for the getting in, and preseruation
of Records.



Whereas divers and sundry Records of the Stannarie Courts, alwile concerning the titles or rights of divers Tinne-woikes, as also compylling many Judgements and Recoveries in actions of debt, trespasses, or other suites which have bene heretofore sued, prosecute, and entred in the Stannarie courts, do now remaine in the keeping ecclodie of divers persons, as namely, of ancient Stewards, or of their Creators, or servants, or of som others, whereby the same Records many times, are lost, or otherwise indeas-
teled, to the great hurt and hinderance of such, as otherwile might (as actions that serve) have help, or benefit by them. To the intent and purpose, that the Records of the same courts so dispersed may be drawn in, and the like inconveniences from henceforth be prevented: Be it therfore provided and enacted, that the Steward of the Stannarie, or his Deputy, shall make open proclamation, in every of the said fourt Stannarie Courts, at, and upon the next two law daies, in engly of the same courts to be holden, that all, and every person or persons, which have in his or their custodie, or keeping, any records of the Stannarie Courts, wherupon any triall, Indgement, Execution, Order, or Decrees, have bene heretofore made or ginen, or shall be hereafter made or ginen, and Records of pitches, and of interrogatories, & depositions heretofore taken, do within thare moneths next after the last of the said proclamations, deliver the same records (so being in their keepings) unto the Steward for the time being. And if any person having notice of the said proclamation, do notwithstanding detaine, and keep such Record or Records, contrary to the tenor of this Act (and the same be duly approued) he shall be imprixoned without Bayle or Paineprise, until he deliver to the Steward of the said Stannaries, all such Records as he then shall have in his custodie or keeping: And the same Steward within thare moneths then next following, shall put the same Records, and all other Records of the same Court, heretofore to be made, into the common Chest of the Stannarie Court, where the same Records have bene first entred: And if the said Steward be informed, that any particular person or persons have any such Records, the said Steward shal, by oath, examine such person and persons, so detaining them, and upon his or their confessions, and refusal, to deliver the same, within convenient time, unto the said Steward.

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ent time, shall cause him or them refusing, to be impisioned, as aforesaid, until such time, as he or they, haue made delivery of them, as aforesaid.

And be it further enacted, that all recordes that now are made, or hereafter shall be made, and remaining in the Stewardes keeping, shall be by the same Steward put into the common Chest, remayning in every Court of the said Stannaries, for the keeping of Records, in such order, as that conueniently, vpon all occasions they may be found.

An Act for the drawing of water vnto Tinne-mills.



It enacted and ordayned, that it shall be lawfull, to and for, any Tinner or Tinners, & other persons with, in the said County of Deuon, to haue, or carry sufficient water vpon, or from any River or Streame, where the same shall be found, for the use of any Clash-mill, Knocking-mill, or other Tinne-mill, now being, or hereafter to be made, and created: and for the washing and cleansing of the Tinne, there to be made onely, and for none other private use, without the let or trouble of any person, or persons whatsoever. And if any person or persons shall resist or withstand, the Owner of such Mill or Mills, to turne any water from any River, or Streame, vnto such his Mill, or Mills, or (being so turned) do diuert the same to the hurt and hindrance of any such Owner, contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act: then the partie so offending, shall incurre to the partie grieved, the penalty of twenty shillings, for every such offence, if it be found by a verdict of twelve men, or more, at any law day, to be kept within any one of the Courts or the Stannaries of the said County the same to be levied by *Fieri facias*, according to the auncient Lawes and Customes of the said Stannaries, in such like cases of penalties, and for features used. Provided nevertheless, that this Act shal not extend, to the hurt or prejudice of the Towne of Plimouth, but that a sufficient Streame of water, from every such Streame as runneth to the said Towne, shall still be permitted to runne thither, according to the true intent and meaning of an Act of Parliament, to that purpose made and enacted at Westminster, in the Countie of Middlesex, in the seauen and tinentith yeare of the famous Raigne of the Quene most excellent Maiestie that now is.

Provided likewise, that it shall not be lawfull, for, or for, any person or persons, to carrie any such streame of water, to any such Mill, or Mills, ouer the inclosed landes of any other person or persons, except he can before-hand make composition and agreement with the Owner, and Owners thereof so to doe: nor shall extend to be hurtfull or prejudicall, to any person, or persons, for the hurting, corrupting, or withdrawing of any pot-water,

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wherof he or they, have taken, or do take, the vle: nor to the hurt, or hindrance
of any Tin-worke, or Tin-workes: nor to the hinderance of any Crie-mill,
or Fulling-mill, which are more ancient then such Clash-mill, Knocking-
mill, or Timme-mill.

**An Act for the taking away of Delayes, and
for the more speedy proceeding of Suites in
the Scannarie.**



Or the avoiding of Delayes heretofore
used in proceedings of suites in the Scannarie Courts. Be it enacted, by the au-
thority of this present great Court of
Parliament, that from henceforth, no
petition, in the nature of a Chancery
Bill, shall be receaved or admitted by the
Steward, or Underwarden of the said
Scannaries, in any cause before them
depending, unles the same petition be
exhibited before Judgement therin
givē, or at the next court following af-
ter the said judgement. And be it fur-
ther enacted, that after any suit peti-
tion exhibited, and sufficient answere

theremto made by the Defendant, the said Petitioner, shall, at the next Court
to be there holden, after such answere put in, make profe (at his peril) of the
suggestions compiled in the said Bill, whereby the Steward, or Underwarden,
may proceed to decrie the same, at the second Court there to be holden, af-
ter such profe made, or otherwise, that the said Bill shalbe dismissed, and ex-
ecution forthwith to be awarded upon the said Judgement, whereof the said
Petitioner by his said Bill, sought to be relived, & no farther, nor other delay
whatsoever, therein to be used, or permitted. And whensoeuer hereafter, any
petition, or Chancery Bill, shall be exhibited to the Steward, or Underwarden,
therby seeking to be relieved of any matter, or thing, for which any action or
suite shalbe commencted, or prosecuted in the said Scannaries, and the same
Bill be afterward dismissed or decried against the complainant, then the com-
plainant shal pay vnto the Defendant his reasonable and ordinary costs and
charges, to be taxed by the Steward, or Underwarden, and to be levied by fieri
facias, according to the lawes and customes of the Scannaries.

Act

Reginæ Elizabethæ.

And further be it enacted, that from henceforth, no person, nor persons, having admitted, or which shall hereafter admit any triall, by verdict, to passe vpon issue ioyned in any matter, depending in any of the four Stannarie courts, shal afterwards be admitted to take aduantage of any imperfection, or default of pleadings in that Action, whereupon such trial hath so passed, or shal passe, but al exceptions to such pleadings, to be tendered to the Court after verdict, shall be viterly reected, any law, usage, or custome of the Stannaries, to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Act for the mitigating of the rigor of some of the Actes now established in this great Court.



Wherein as many doubts and ambiguities, may arise, and grow vpon divers Statutes, made in this great Court or Parliament, for the Alienations, Forfeitures, or Recoveries of Tin-workes, or parts of Tinne-workes, either by default, and negligence of the old Owners, or else by cunning, or indirect dealing to be used, by the pitcher, or in the proclamations, or other circumstances.

It is therfore enacted, that in every such case, where any manner of doubt ariseth, either vpon the construction of the said lawes, or vpon any other hard courses to be taken with the unknowne Owners: That it shall be lawfull for the Lord Warden (for the time being) or his Underwarden, in his, or their discretion, vpon due hearing of the cause, to order, and to determine any such controuersie, notwithstanding any strict letter of the said law, or lawes, in that behalfe now made.

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God save the Queene.



